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PASSAGE OF THE CHICAGO RELIEF BILL.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—The Chicago Relief bill was finally reported from the Committee on Ways and Means to-day, and passed both houses with a single amendment in the second section, which exempts lumber. To conciliate Michigan and Wisconsin opposition, it was the understanding, yesterday, that an amendment should be made to the bill, extending its benefits so as to take in the lumber districts of those States. The amendment was not suggested to-day, but instead, Farwell offered an amendment excepting lumber. In this shape the bill went through the House without opposition, and in fifteen minutes thereafter was taken over to the Senate and passed in the same manner. It will be sent to the President to-morrow. It is explained by those having the bill in charge that the omission of lumber had become positively necessary to its success. Taking the last test vote in the House and it had but fifteen majority. The enemies of the bill were busy making combinations against it, and the antagonism of various special interests affected by the bill was becoming stronger each day. Before Dawes could get the floor to report, the House had already adopted a motion to adjourn until Monday, and the Scott-Garfield railroad contest had fair to monopolize attention for some time to come. And, further, the Saginaw delegation of lumbermen here had agreed to furnish to Chicago as much lumber as the city wanted for building purposes, at one dollar per thousand cheaper than the market prices for last year. Farwell, Logan, and other friends of the bill, in consideration of all the above facts, decided to make this compromise, which was agreed to by both the Michigan and Wisconsin delegates, and the bill was then rushed through without either further comment or opposition.

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(To the Associated Press.

THE ARMS SALE INVESTIGATION.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Marquis de Chambrun was examined to-day before the Senate Arms Committee. It appears, from his testimony, that he is not connected with the French Legation, but acts as its counsel, and is also engaged in the prosecution of the claims of French citizens. The witness gave an account of the transactions of M Place, in New York, who had been advised by him at the instance of the French Legation, not to buy any arms but to keep quiet. After Place was tried in France and acquitted, he wrote to the Marquis, showing the worthlessness of the testimony against him, and enclosing a copy of a letter of Remington to Loomis, Chamburn, owing to the press of business, had this letter in his possession six weeks before he read it carefully. The Secretary of War said if anything were wrong he advised Chambrun to prefer charges in writing. When the Marquis said he could not do so, not being one of the citizens in this case at all, he was told to make an investigation to find out the truth regarding fraudulent transactions in the sale of Arms. The Secretary did not appear to be exceedingly struck with his argument, but said if you prefer charges I will make short work with these fellows. The Marquis replied that he could not make such charges for the reason given, adding that the Government of France has no desire to interfere with this case at all. Several days after this letter was sent to M. Bellonet, the Charge d'Affaire, the latter said to M. Chambrun that he could not consider the communication as official, because it could not be received as such by him, for, according to the French Minister's law, nothing is official except the one who writes and the one who receives. Therefore, as M. Chambrun received its contents immediately, it belonged to him. It is the same that appears in the preamble to Sumner's resolution. In the course of his examination he read from a private note, addressed to him by his uncle, who is the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, saying that it hardly recommended any investigation into the Remington affair, and that if it was persisted in, Chambrun had become positively necessary to his success. Taking the last test vote in the House and it had but fifteen majority. The enemies of the bill were busy making combinations against it, and the antagonism of various special interests affected by the bill was becoming stronger each day. Before Dawes could get the floor to report, the House had already adopted a motion to adjourn until Monday, and the Scott-Garfield railroad contest had fair to monopolize attention for some time to come. And, further, the Saginaw delegation of lumbermen here had agreed to furnish to Chicago as much lumber as the city wanted for building purposes, at one dollar per thousand cheaper than the market prices for last year. Farwell, Logan, and other friends of the bill, in consideration of all the above facts, decided to make this compromise, which was agreed to by both the Michigan and Wisconsin delegates, and the bill was then rushed through without either further comment or opposition.

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President of the Western Union Telegraph Company in regard to proper rates of compensation for transmitting the signal service reports, and on other collateral questions.

EDUCATIONAL.

B. G. Northrop, of New Haven, State Superintendent of Education, appeared before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs this morning in advocacy of the proposition to devote the Japanese indemnity fund, now amounting to over $500,000, to purposes of education, under the pledge and control of the Japanese Government. The plan intended contemplates a system of Normal Schools for the higher branches of education in the English language, and the further creation of schools of science to be in the Japanese language, expressed by Chinchonan characters of our alphabet.

All the disposable colored troops at the Newport Barracks, Kentucky, have been ordered to Galveston.

A NORTH CAROLINA CANDIDATE FOR VICE PRESIDENT.

A number of leading Republicans from North Carolina are now here, and have agreed, after due consultation, to urge the nomination of General Joseph Abbott, of that State, for Vice President at the Philadelphia Convention. They claim to act on behalf of the Republican party of their State, and assert that the North Carolina delegation will use its utmost endeavors to urge General Abbott's chances.

THE DEMOCRATS IN COUNCIL.

NEW YORK, March 28.—A Washington despatch to the *Herald* says that August Belmont, Chairman of the National Democratic Committee, reached Washington yesterday morning, and had an informal political caucus, at which were present about forty of the principal politicians of the city. Lousen. The question of holding a National Convention was fully and freely discussed by Cassedy, Frank Blair, Stockton, Bayard, and others. The feeling is unanimous against calling a Convention at this time, or indicating any positive policy until after the result of the Cincinnati Convention is known. The opposition was that the Liberal Republicans, it was admitted, must be made on the question of strength only. There must be no platform of Democratic principles. It was advised that no Democrats participate in the Cincinnati Convention. There was no disposition to endorse Judge Davis than was expected. The names of Senator Trumbull and Charles Francis Adams were discussed, and also those of General Logan and Gratz Brown.

CONGRESSIONAL.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, March 28.

LAND TITLES SETTLED.

On motion of Mr. TRUMBULL, the bill was passed settling the title to certain lands along the boundary between Georgia and Florida.

CONGRESSIONAL DEBATES.

The report of the Committee on Conference on the bill for publishing the debates in Congress was concurred in.

WISCONSIN LAND GRANT BILL.

On motion of Mr. HOWE, a Committee of Conference was appointed on the Bayfield and St. Croix Railroad bill. The Vice President appointed Messrs. Carpenter, Pomeroy, and Kelley. The only amendment offered yesterday was referred to the Committee of Conference.

TEA AND COFFEE BILL.

The bill to repeal the duty on tea and coffee was taken up.

The amendment adding to the bill the free list of the Senate Tariff bill was passed.

CHICAGO RELIEF BILL.

On motion of Mr. WRIGHT the Senate concurred in the House amendment to the Chicago Relief bill exempting lumber from the operation of the act.

Mr. HAMILTON, (Md.) moved to amend so as to reduce the duty on steel rails 10 per cent. Lost—yeas, 26; nays, 28.

TEA AND COFFEE AGAIN.

The question was then taken on the amendment made in Committee adding the second section of the Tariff bill, reducing the duties on cotton, woolens, silks, iron, earthenware, glass, glassware, &c., 10 per cent, and it was concurred in—yeas, 36; nays, 4.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN moved to strike from the second section manufactured silk, now subject to a duty of 5 per cent, which was agreed to—yeas, 28; nays, 24.

This leaves the duty unchanged.

Mr. FRANCISCO (Ark.) offered two other amendments, striking out items, which were rejected.

The third section of the Tariff bill was then called.

Mr HAMLIN said the whole of the Tariff bill reported from the Finance Committee had now been adopted, except the first section, and he moved that that first section be adopted as a substitute for the first section of the Tea and Coffee bill now under consideration. He would except, however, from the first section of the Tariff bill the clause relating to rice and to iron wire cloth, so as to leave all the present duties on those articles unchanged.

After some debate, Mr. HAMLIN modified his amendment so as to make the duty on teas 5 cents per pound, and on coffee 2½ cents per pound.

Mr. SPENCER moved to strike from the amendment offered by Mr. HAMLIN the paragraph as to tea and coffee, and to insert a positive provision after July 1, tea and coffee should be free. Lost—yeas, 21; nays, 25.

Mr. TRUMBULL moved to reduce the duty on salt to 4 cents per 100 pounds. Lost—yeas, 15; nays, 26.

Mr. Hamlin's amendment was then rejected—yeas, 24; nays, 26.

Mr. TRUMBULL moved the same amendment offered by Mr. Hamlin, omitting the paragraphs relating to tea and coffee. Adopted—yeas, 29; nays 18.

Mr. SCOTT offered an amendment repealing all internal taxes, except those on whiskey, tobacco, and malt liquors. In answer to a question he said he meant to include the income tax for the current year.

Mr. CONKLING predicted that if the bill as it now stood should be passed by both houses there would be no repeal of internal taxes at this session of Congress.

Mr. MORTON favored a large reduction of internal taxes, but thought the amendment was too far. He did not think the tax which was already due, like the income tax, should be taken off.

Mr. SCOTT replied that he proposed to provide that all internal taxes on illuminating gas, the income tax, the taxes imposed by Section 110 of the Internal Revenue law that Senator Ch. Sumner voted against, and all taxes by stamps, such as relate to distilled spirits, fermented liquors, manufactured tobacco, snuff, cigars, be repealed, said repeal to take effect July 1, 1873.

Pending the discussion, repeated motions to adjourn were made and negatived.

Mr. SHERMAN opposed hasty legislation in this connection, and said that it was discourteous to the House of Representatives, while a committee of that body was laboriously engaged in considering the subject of internal taxes, for the Senate to take them in hand.

Mr. CONKLING said it was no more discourteous than the Senate considering the Tariff bill, while the House Committee was engaged on the same subject.

Mr. BLAIR moved to omit the income tax from Mr. Scott's amendment. Lost—yeas, 19; nays, 21.

The question was then taken on Mr. Scott's amendment, which it was carried—yeas, 28; nays, 11.

Mr. SHERMAN then expressed his opinion that the bill would be killed by the adoption of this amendment, and he believed it was so intended.

The bill was then passed amid great confusion, by a vote of 36 to 4—Messrs. Fenton, Hamlin, Frelinghuysen, and Scott in the negative. It now goes to the House for concurrence in the amendments. Mr. Hamlin moved to reconsider the Tariff bill reported by the Senate Finance Committee, and the whole-sale reduction of internal taxes involved in Mr. Scott's amendment, the first section providing for free tea and coffee.

The Senate then, at 9:40 adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

REMONSTRANCES.

Remonstrances were presented against the proposed reduction of the duty on earthenware or stoneware.

THE RAILROAD DEPOT BILL.

The bill for a railroad depot in Washington for the Baltimore & Potomac Railroad came up. Various propositions were made as a settlement of the difficulty which has separated the Houses for several days. Debate ensued on the bill, which was participated in by STARKWEATHER, KERR, RICE, KELLEY, and BOYDEN.

Mr. BOOTH suggested an amendment requiring the Baltimore & Potomac Railroad Company to pay rental for the use of the property, to go to the fund for the poor of the districts.

All efforts having failed to reach a compromise of the difficulty which has existed between the two Houses, the bill was passed.

THE CUSTOM HOUSE INVESTIGATION.

The Senate New York Custom House Investigating Committee held a special session to-day and examined Wm. Orton, ex-Commissioner of Internal Revenue, as to the advisability of the continuation of the system of moieties in the New York Custom House. The examination, which was directed by Messrs. Howe and Barnum, elicited an opinion from witness that while the present system was subjected to many corrupt innovations, it was nevertheless proper if not absolutely necessary to continue in existence some system of remuneration to officials for the purpose of stimulating them to the detection of fraud on the revenue. The salary which was being paid inspectors was of itself insufficient to guarantee any service worth the price paid. The evidence of witness was in all respects theoretical, and no matter of fact was sought to be obtained from him. The investigation was adjourned until Monday next.

MEXICAN DEPREDATIONS ON THE FRONTIER.

A delegation from Texas, headed by Senator Hamilton, waited on the President this morning in relation to Mexican depredations on the frontier. The delegation represented that, on a report dated the 1st inst., forty regular Mexican troops, in uniform, crossed the Rio Grande at a point above Brownsville, arrested a United States Custom Inspector, together with a number of citizens, and held them until they had crossed into Mexico and driven off 500 head of cattle. It was further represented that depredations on stock alone by raiders from Mexico into Texas in the last year footed up from six to ten millions of dollars in value, and the system of brands prevailing in Texas will enable sufferers to establish legitimate claim against Mexico from the various County records. The President replied that the subject had been one of frequent communication with the War Department, and that he would no doubt, willingly afford relief, but seemed powerless while Mexican violations are confined to the Northern States of Mexico. The commercial phases of the question were also discussed, and it was suggested that the order of the Secretary of War prohibiting the clearance of vessels from points above Brownsville was a virtual blockade of the Rio Grande, and therefore illegal. The President took notice of the conversation and promised to bring all questions before the Cabinet. The delegation retired, generally well satisfied.

John L. Lathal was sworn, and was interrogated concerning those orders for extra pay.

He knew nothing of any letter of Co.'s bills were settled under the Welles' administration. He did not recollect another instance where arrears in pay, subsistence being settled, a case was opened by another. He signed the bills under orders from the Secretary of the Navy, knowing them had been a Board of naval officers in the case. He had but one interview with the Secretary of the Navy as to the settlement of these claims. The Secretary wished to know of him whether there was any fund out of which the money could be paid. He told him there was none. The name

STATE LEGISLATURES.

Yesterday's Progress in the Illinois General Assembly.

The Revenue Bill Passed and Sent to the Governor.

Vaughan's Railroad Freight Bill Defeated in the Senate.

Land Commissioner Edmunds Impeached by the Michigan Legislature.

Proceedings in Other State Legislatures.

ILLINOIS.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BURNT RECORDS.

SPRINGFIELD, March 28.—The Senate Committee on the Judiciary had the Burnt Records bill under consideration last night and agreed to report it back with amendments embracing all those proposed by the Governor, and, also, one cutting down fees in suits under this act to two-thirds of their ordinary amount, and an important one declaring that the abstract men shall not charge over $1.50 a conveyance in making out abstracts. Several other provisions were added, and it is believed the bill is now sufficiently guarded. As thus amended it will pass the Senate, and its friends in the House can accept or reject it, just as they please.

THE REVENUE BILL

came up this morning as a special order, and passed as amended, receiving 93 votes, notwithstanding the quiet but bitter opposition, and great efforts to have men keep away. The Senate will doubtless concur in all of these amendments, without the slightest difficulty. Now that this vexatious matter is out of the way, there is room for other things, and a prospect of an early adjournment.

APPROPRIATION BILL.

When this had passed, the little bill to appropriate $1,000 for the water supply at Jacksonville was taken up, and was agreed to without difficulty.

RAILROAD SUBSCRIPTIONS.

In the afternoon the House took up bills on a third reading, and proceeded in putting through a lot of its own tables of miscellaneous which have voted subscriptions to railroads to transfer them to another road which may comply with the terms of the original donation. This is a proposition to revive a number of railroad subscriptions made prior to the adoption of the new Constitution, and has been pushed by a small lobby, including one rather prominent citizen of DuPage County.

THE RAILROAD QUESTION.

The Senate gave up a great part of its time today to the railroad question, rejecting, by 19 to 16, Harlan's resolution to dispense with the Railroad Commissioners. This proposition received only a Republican vote—Messrs. KERR, Jewett, Hunter, and Donahue. There was also a long debate on Vaughan's bill to which a number of railroads, which after various alterations failed to pass. (Even had it succeeded it could not have gone into force in the House.

BURNT RECORDS AGAIN.

The Senate also concurred without difficulty in amendments of the Judiciary Committee to Burnt Records bill, and vote on bill as amended will be taken to-morrow, if there is a full House. An amendment was also adopted striking out the emergency clause, since it was thought that there was no necessity for early action. Besides this, Messrs. Allen, Rook, Kerr, and others of the late friends, are, it is reported, threatening to defeat it, and they can do it more easily if it is hampered with an amendment requiring

REVENUE BILL.

Just so soon as the House amendments to the Revenue bill reached the Senate they took up them up and concurred in them, thus sending the bill to the Governor, who will sign it so soon as he can find time. There is much complaint on this subject by the passage of a bill which, though objectionable to many, and not wholly satisfactory to many more, yet receives the confirm views and harmonizes discordant elements of the Legislature far better than any other one that has been proposed. The Senate bill, which was prepared by the Revenue Committee of that body, of which Senator Mr. Van Dorston is Chairman, and much of the work of the Committee fell upon Messrs. Dr. Stadden, of the Auditor's office, and by the technical knowledge of Senators Sexter and Wilkinson, the long familiarity with the assessment and collection of taxes made their services of great value; and also to Senator Fuller, whose experience in framing previous bills did so much for its thorough success in the Senate. The many grades were passed for forward in and out of committee, and to those general acquaintance with the subject of revenue the bill is indebted for many of its most valuable provisions.

BILLS APPROVED.

The Governor to-day signed the Constructional Apportionment bill, the Court and Salaries bill is so long it took much time to enrol, and that did not reach him until to-day.

THE EMINENT DOMAIN BILL

is now in the House again, the question being on the Senate amendments to the House substitute.

THE FREE LIBRARY BILL

is now being properly enrolled, and will probably be ready for signing to-morrow.

FEES OF TOWNSHIP COLLECTORS.

The House passed one of its own bills to give Township Collectors 3 per cent on taxes of 1871. Earlier in the session they passed a act giving them 2 per cent, but the outcry made by Collectors kept them from getting it. This bill is of very doubtful constitutionality of which is very doubtful. The bill has yet to pass the Senate and the Governor.

REVENUE BILL PROMULGATED.

The following important bill was yesterday signed and goes into effect at once:

AN ACT, to Be Entitled to the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That whenever the Board of Directors, Managers, or Trustees of any corporation heretofore existing by virtue of any general or special law of this State, or any corporation hereafter organized by virtue of any law of this State, shall desire to change the name, to change the place of business, to increase or decrease the capital stock, to increase or decrease the number of Directors, Managers or Trustees, or to consolidate said corporation with any other corporation now existing, or which hereafter may be created, they may call a special meeting of the stockholders of such corporation, for the purpose of submitting to a vote of such stockholders the question of such change of name, change of place of business, increase or decrease of number of Directors, Managers, or Trustees, increase or decrease of capital stock, or consolidation with some other corporation, as the case may be: *Provided,* That in changing the name of any corporation under the provisions of this act, no name shall be assumed or adopted by any corporation similar to, or liable to be mistaken for the name of any other corporation existing under the laws of this State, without the consent of such other corporation, and that in no case shall the capital stock be diminished to the damage or injury of the creditors of such corporation, or the amount of liabilities of Directors or Trustees be reduced, if less than five, or increased to more than seven.

And, provided, further, that no corporation shall by virtue hereof change its place of business from one county to another, or from one town, county or municipality, or any of the inhabitants thereof, or any property owned by the interested therein, shall have donated, or in any manner contributed any money or other property to aid in inducing such corporation to locate in such town, county, or municipality; *And provided, further,* That the provisions of this act in reference to the consolidation of corporations shall only apply to corporations of the same kind, engaged in the same general business and not to those corporations now existing which may be carrying on their business in the same vicinity, and that no more than two corporations now existing shall be consolidated into one, under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 2. Such special meeting shall be called by delivering personally, or depositing in the Post Office, at least thirty days before the time fixed for such meeting, a notice properly addressed to every stockholder, signed by the President of the Directors, Managers, or Trustees, stating the time, place, and object of such meeting. A general meeting of the stockholders for the purpose aforesaid may be held in a railroad corporation, when the battle came off at Bloomington, it would be found that the persons upon whom the State depended would be so stupefied as to stupefy, and that they could not make the race. Either the men selected for that purpose were determined not to enforce, or the thing was a humbug. They were either recreant to their duty or dared not perform it. They had discovered that there was danger in pushing 10-ton from dining-cars, but had not observed the daily violations of law, and when invited by the railroad men to make a test case in the Supreme Court of last resort, they had shirked the duty, and all was "quiet on the Potomac." He hoped, if the Committee was going to investigate, that brains enough to carry out the law would be appointed.

MR. VORIS

was not disappointed in the remarks of the Senator from Clark. It was just such as he expected. He insisted that the charge of the Senator from Clark were grounded in.

MR. KERR wished to know why the Railroad Committee, while holding the bill in their possession for thirty days, had not suggested the amendment, the lack of which they so sadly deplored. With so many eminent lawyers upon that Committee, nonsuiting of their bill could have been done, instead of exempting their time in throwing obstacles in its way.

MR. VAUGHAN said that the object of striking out the repealing clause, as the bill itself repealed the objectionable portions of the law now in force.

MR. FULLER would rather the General Assembly would at once adjourn before the law of last Winter was repealed directly or indirectly.

Further remarks were cut off, by the entrance of Mr. Merritt, of the House, with the announcement "that the Revenue bill was passed," when upon a recess of five minutes was taken and numerous congratulations indulged in, of which Mr. Senter received a great share.

MR. FULLER, upon resuming, entered into a vigorous defence of the present law. He repelled the attempted imputation of Mr. Langley, that the Committee and not allowed the bill to be read before that Committee. He wanted the bill referred to the Committee to see the bill over, not the bill repealed, by implication or otherwise, the Freight law of 1871.

MR. VORIS withdrew his motion to refer, hoping that consent might be obtained to striking out the repealing clause; but, upon MR. EPLER objecting, MR. EDDY renewed the motion.

MR. HUNTER took the floor in opposition to the reference, the bill being right as it was.

Under the previous question the bill was referred to Senator Vaughan—Yeas, 16: nays, 10.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION.

MR. HARLAN moved a suspension of the rules in order to take up the resolution requesting the Railroad Commissioners to resign.

Failed to receive two-thirds of the votes, not counted MR. HAMPTON moved the previous question.

Lost.

MR. HARLAN said that the Commission was appointed to stand instead of the citizens to wage war upon the remorseless railroad corporations, and failing to do this it was their duty as gentlemen to at once tender their resignation. Instead of moving in the line of duty prescribed by law, they were like the Army at Washington, in many instances in the very towns, and under the noses of the Commissioners themselves, and yet no duty had been performed. The law provided that no one of the Commissioners should in any way be connected with railroads, yet the only lawyer on the Commission occupied that inconsistent position. In the whole history of the Commissioners, that gentleman had intentionally omitted to provide for the resignation of any Commissioner held in a railroad corporation. Like the battle came off at Bloomington, it would be found that the persons upon whom the State depended would be so stupefied as to stupefy, and that they could not make the race. Either the men selected for that purpose were determined not to enforce, or the thing was a humbug. They were either recreant to their duty or dared not perform it. They had discovered that there was danger in pushing 10-ton from dining-cars, but had not observed the daily violations of law, and when invited by the railroad men to make a test case in the Supreme Court of last resort, they had shirked the duty, and all was "quiet on the Potomac." He hoped, if the Committee was going to investigate, that brains enough to carry out the law would be appointed.

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MR. LANGLEY inquired if the bill was ever read before the Committee.

MR. CRAWFORD, reasoning, said that it had never been read at all, and that, as he suspected the amendment, that

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

THURSDAY EVENING, March 28.

The only prominent features in finances generally, are the gambling in Erie and some buoyancy in railway stocks generally.

Money seems to be gradually growing more stringent, and, while the banks in this city are accommodating their customers pretty freely yet, the demand in the open market for loans has increased. Deposits keep up well, but the loans of the banks were never so high as at present, and it is apparent the banks cannot expand any more.

Exchange is quoted at from par to 25c. per $1,000 premium for sales between banks.

SAVINGS BANKS-LIFE-INSURANCE.

Life insurance is regarded by nearly all men who take out policies, in no other light than the securing of a sum to be paid to their heirs, a provision against want on the part of their wives and children. But Mr. Elizur Wright, who was for many years Insurance Commissioner of Massachusetts, and the best part of whose life has been devoted to the study of life insurance, has recently published a large octavo volume in which he sketches out a plan for a reform in the management of life insurance business, and shows conclusively that a large percentage of the premiums paid in for life insurance should be restored and paid simply as deposits in a savings bank, which the depositor should have a right to withdraw at any time on the surrender of his policy.

There is probably no man now living whose opinion is worth more on questions of life insurance than that of Mr. Wright, and yet we find him testifying in this book, that "as life insurance is now conducted, beyond any question, one-fourth of the premium paid into the life insurance companies for premiums, had better be paid into the savings banks." Mr. Wright states that what is undoubtedly true when he says that "to persuade a prudent man to take a policy on the terms now offered by the companies, with no fixed rule upon which the policy can be surrendered, or withdrawn, the rightful portion of the profits a pitch of it is necessary to work, that he shall entirely overlook the fact that his circumstances may change, and he may cease to need insurance before the term of his policy expires."

This is shown in Mr. Wright's book, that when a man in good health, and in middle life, takes out a policy of insurance for the whole term of his life, his premium, during a great portion of the time he is expected to live, does not only cover the insurance on his own life, but an additional charge is made in it, to insure the lives of others. This additional charge, Mr. Wright regards as rightfully a deposit of savings, which, under the present rule, is payable only at the death of the insured, but which, under the proposed reform, could be drawn out by the depositor at any time upon the surrender of his policy.

Under the vast expenses to the policy-holder and savings depositor in this proposed system over the old one, will be perceived at once. A policy issued by one company during business on such a plan has a tangible value as recognizable in the money market as a certificate of deposit in a savings bank. Perhaps the most important feature, however, in such a policy would be, that while it would be an actual deposit of money, available at any time to the depositor himself, it could not be touched by creditors, if the policy was made over for "the benefit of" or such.

In regard to the "note plan" of deferring a portion of the premium on a policy of life insurance, Mr. Wright has shown conclusively, by actuary, that it is extremely unjust to the policy holder, and claims that "a terrible deception is practiced upon the public in making people believe that the amiptus examines of the companies will so far wipe out the notes as to make the policy as good as were paid for in cash."

Mr. Wright's book is an imperial octavo of 210 pages, with steel-engraved diagrams, making its appearance, as it is said as it encloses, for sale by all. It contains 268 tables, never before published, giving the various values, for every year of its possible existence, of every *desirable* policy—information hardly to be found when one cost to every person who has or needs insurance on his life. It will be sent by mail, postpaid, on the receipt of $4. Address Elizur Wright, No. 32 State street, Boston.

THE RATES OF INTEREST YIELDED BY UNITED STATES BONDS.

The Treasury Department has recently issued a pamphlet, prepared by Mr. E. H. Elliot, to show the relative profitableness of different securities of United States bonds. The greater popularity, or, in other words, the greater confidence in those series of bonds than in others, is shown by the fact that they sell at higher prices, and therefore pay proportionately less on the investment than others in which there is less confidence.

This is illustrated in the following table, which shows the rates of interest yielded by different coupon class of securities, as derived from the average market price during the month of December last:

Description of Stocks.	*Interest payable.*	*Yield to maturity.*
6-20's, 1864, 6 p. ct. Gold	...Jan. and July	5.93 p. ct.
6-20's, 1865, 6 p. ct. Gold	...Jan. and July	5.98 p. ct.
5-20 Coupon, 1867, 6 p. ct. Gold	...May and Nov.	6.00 p. ct.
5-20's of 1868, 6 p. ct. Gold	...May and Nov.	6.00 p. ct.
10-40 Coupons, 6 p. ct. Gold	...March and Sept.	6.00 p. ct.
5-20 interest payable May and November, 1868, 6 p. ct. Gold	...May and Nov.	5.64 p. ct.
1-20 Coupons, 1867, 6 p. ct. Gold	...January and July	5.76 p. ct.
5-20 Coupons, 1868, 6 p. ct. Gold	...January and July	5.76 p. ct.
Pacific R. R., 6 p. ct. Gold	...January and July	5.22 p. ct.

*Assuming semi-annual investment and conversion of interest.

From the above it will be seen that there is a difference of 1.69 per cent between the rates of interest realized by investors on the ten-forties of 1864 and of the five-twenties of 1865. The fact that these two securities, under the competition of the open market, spontaneously assume prices which yield to such different rates of interest indicates that the first is considered as desirable at a remuneration of only 5.93 per cent as the other is at nearly 6 per cent. The interesting question what peculiarity there is in the one that yields the lower rate that counterbalances the difference of interest, is answered by Mr. Elliot briefly. The difference in the time they have to run is a circumstance which may serve as a partial explanation, but the still more important fact is that the ten-forties are made expressly payable in gold, while the medium in which the five-twenties are to be redeemed is the subject of doubt. This illustrates the value of an explicit contract. If there is a doubt as to the terms and a loss, the holder gives himself the benefit of it. Examining the above table more in detail we find, that after the 10-40s, the most popular security (that is, the one taken at the lowest rate of interest) is the currency Pacific Railroad 6 per cent loan, upon which the investing rate is a little less than 5½ (5.22) per cent. The 6 per cents of 1868 come next, and then the 6 per cents of the various classes of 5-20s, upon which the calculated rates of interest vary from 5.64 to 6.40 per cent.

THE NEW YORK SAVINGS BANKS.

The Third Avenue Savings Bank of New York, which for six weeks has been closed by the New York *Sun*, and yet has paid all demands against it, notwithstanding the effort of the *Sun* to work up a panic, has at last succumbed under its assailant, and it is now understood that the officers of the bank are about taking legal steps to make the *Sun* pay the penalty.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Quotations for buying and selling in this market this afternoon as furnished by Messrs. Lunt, Preston & Kean, as follows:

	Buying.	*Selling.*
United States 6s of '81	113½	113¾
5-20s of '62	112	112½
5-20s of '64	112½	113
5-20s of '65	112½	113
5-20s of '65, Jan. and July	111½	112
5-20s of '67, Jan. and July	112	113
5-20s of '68, Jan. and July	112½	113
10-40s	108	108½
United States new 5 per cents	109½	109¾
United States currency 6s	118½	119
Northern Pacific gold 7-30s	100 and int.	100 and int.
Chicago City 7s	100 and int.	100 and int.
Cook County 8s	100 and int.	100 and int.
Sterling exchange (large drafts)	109½	110
Gold and gold coupons	109½	110½
Agricultural College land scrip	173	175

NEW YORK, March 28.—The gold market closed dull at 110. During this p. m. the gold room got up a flapjack war, but the thing would not work, and gold refused to respond. Loans were from ⅞ to 1 per cent for carrying. Clearings about $40,000,000.

Governments strong and higher, on purchases by German bankers. The Government sold one million at from 109 33-100 to 109 60-100.

On the Stock Exchange to-day, there was an entire absence of excitement in Erie. There was a further decline, prices fluctuating between 27 & 29, closing at 28¾. Yesterday Daniel Drew is said to have sold 50,000 shares of Erie at 28, seller 10 months, and that to-day he has been offered $200,000 for the contract, which he refused. The principal features to day have been Lake Shore and New York Central, which advanced on the report that they are to be called on the London Stock Exchange. Pacific Mail, Ohio, and Western Union have been active; Union Pacific sold, Boston, Hartford & Erie sold as high as ¾. Hannibal & St. Joseph advanced 10 % for common and 4% for preferred. Quicksilver closed at 41. Money stringent; loaned as high as ½, and closed at ⅓, gold, to 1-16. Many bank accounts were said to make up total long after 3 o'clock.

Southern securities dull and lower in South Carolinas.

Sterling, 109½.

Governments:

Coupe, '81	115	Coupe, '67	112
Coupe, '62	112	Coupe, '68	112
Coupe, '64	112	10-40s	108
Coupe, '65	112	Currency 6s	115
Coupe, new	109		

State bonds:

Missouris	93	Old Virginias	58
Old Tennessees	61	Old North Carolinas	24
New Tennessees	67	New N. Carolinas	22
New Virginias	55		

Railroads closed:

Lantoe	96	New Jersey Central	113
Western Union Tel.	79	St. Paul	62
Quicksilver	41	St. Paul preferred	81
Adams Express	57	Wells & Fargo Ex.	57
Wells & Fargo Ex.	57	Wabash preferred	37
American Express	57	Fort Waynes	91
United States Ex.	67	Terre Haute & Ind.	22
Pacific Mail	46	Terre Haute pref.	64
New York Central	93	Chicago & Alton	116
N. Y. Central scrip	90	Chicago & Alton pref.	139
Erie	28	Ohio & Mississippi	30
Erie preferred	72	Cin., Col. & Cleve.	82
Hudson	120	Chicago, Bur. & Q.	135
Harlem	130	Lake Shore	95
Harlem preferred	131	Indiana Central	25
Reading	113	Michigan Central	109
Reading preferred	113	Illinois Central	129
Michigan Central	109	Pittsburgh	92
Pittsburgh	92	Union Pacific	36
Fort Wayne	91	Union Pacific Bonds	82
North Western	82	Del. & Hudson Canal	93
North Western pref.	88	Del. & Lack	113
Rock Island	110		

COMMERCIAL.

THURSDAY EVENING, March 28.

The following were the receipts and shipments of flour, grain, and produce for the past twenty-four hours:

	Received.		*Shipped.*	
	1871.	1872.	1871.	1872.
Flour, brls	7,300	6,288	5,025	3,511
Wheat, bu	2,670	11,120	7,326	5,629
Corn, bu	32,120	39,775	15,742	94,705
Oats, bu	9,180	15,241	2,400	4,197
Rye, bu	1,332	1,075	1,332	1,075
Barley, bu	1,200	2,000	6,000	2,000
Grass seed, lb	63,000	145,328	90,240	60,000
Flax seed, lb		20,362		
Broom corn, lb	10,662	56,662	240	
Cured meats, lb	35,000	61,750	643,510	197,557
Beef, brls	24	11	14	
Pork, brls	53	33	240	517
Lard, lb	41,400	21,350	122,700	2,000
Tallow, lbs	15,075	24,180	2,400	2,000
Butter, lbs	49,000	58,200	31,350	3,400
Cheese, lbs	1,200	1,200		
Live hogs, No	4,906	4,950	6,131	1,479
Cattle, No	1,371	2,737	1,359	1,337
Sheep, No	1,262	1,227	1,044	127
Hides, lbs	34,373	78,903	23,400	50,250
Highwines, brls	417	170	393	210
Whisky, brls	10,979	58,382	30,000	
Potatoes, bu	1,600	720		
Lumber, m	922	36	276	1,295
Shingles, m	1,443	567	370	1,319
Lath, m		50		273
Salt, brls	490	569	573	

Withdrawn yesterday for city consumption: Corn, 1,307 bu; oat ell bu; rye, 1,138 bu.

The following gain has been inspected into store up to 10 o'clock this morning: 1 car wheat, 27 cars corn, 1 cars, 3 cars barley. Total, 32 cars, or 11,500 bu.

There was a little ore doing on 'Change today, and a little me confidence exhibited in prices, though withf any considerable improvement for holders. The Eastern markets continue dull. The colnued fine weather also helped to remove any lisring apprehensions of crop failures through t inability to plant in season, and this prevented an advance, which many felt inclined to exp, as they think the break in prices has probal exhausted itself for the present. Under the inence of the latter feeling there were more buy orders in from the country than for several days past.

Highwines were more live, and firmer, though reported dull in Newark. The market opened with only 69½c bidut 18 was soon apparent that offerings were light, while one or two buying orders were inrative. Sales were 350 brls at 89½c per gallc The market closed 89½@90c.

Lake freights were gr and steady. Corn by sail was quoted at 9½c to Buffalo, 10@10½c to Oswego, and 9½@10 to Kingston.

Provisions were very quiet, but steady, though yesterday's inside prices; the market having apparently come to a stand still. The bears seemed tired of forcing the market down, and there were comparatively few buyers, showing that the bull element has become discouraged by past reverses, and prefers to let stocks The trading, what little there was of it, was almost confined to meat parks, which was relatively firm in the latter half of the session. Lard was scarcely mentioned. Meats were quiet. Sales were for two round lots were freely offered without takers; they are unchanged to-day, except that bacon shoulders were quoted 1c lower. The market closed as the following range of quotations: Mess pork, cash @ sixty days, $12 25@12 30; do, seller April, $11 30; do, seller May, $11 60; do, seller June, $11 80; do, seller July, $11 90; prime mess, $11 00@11 25. Lard, cash or seller March, $8 10@8 15; do, seller April or May, $8 20@8 25; do, seller June, $8 40; prime steam, $8 00@8 05. Dry salted meats at 8½c for shoulders; 6½c for rough sides; 8½c for short rib sides; 8½c for short clear. Boxed meats, ½c higher than quotations for loose. Boxed Cumberlands, 9½c. Sweet pickled hams, 12½@13c. Bacon quoted at 5c for shoulders; 8½c for short ribs; 9½c for short clear, and 10@10½c for sugar-cured. Mess beef, $6 75@7 00. Beef hams, $16 75@17 00. Beef hams, $24 00. City tallow, 8½ @9c. Stearine, 9½c. Lard, reported of 200 brls mess pork at $11 25; 100 brls do seller April at $11 30; 1,500 brls do seller May at $11 60@11 70; 500 brls do seller June at $11 85; 500 brls do seller July at $11 90; 50 tes lard (kettled) at $8 25 per 100 lbs; 100 tes do at $8 15; 250 tes do at $8 12½; 750 tes do seller May at $8 20; 20,000 lbs green hams (average 16 lbs) at 7½c; 20,000 lbs shoulders at 5½c; 100,000 lbs do at 5¾; 40,000 lbs short ribs at 7½c.

Flour was in somewhat better demand, but principally from jobbers, the shippers being still out of the market, except for small parcels of looking around so as to keep the track of it till something shall turn up. Prices were unchanged. Sales were reported at 100 brls superfine at $4 75; 100 brls spring extras at $7 00; 400 brls do at $6 90; 100 brls do at $6 87½; 100 brls do at $6 85; 100 brls do on private terms; 100 brls spring superfines at $5 00. Total, 1,050 brls. Also 10 tons bran at $17 50 delivered; 10 tons feed at $18 00 on track; and 10 tons coarse middlings at $16.00 on track.

Wheat was more active, being in good demand, and firm at an average advance of 1c per bu, though without any encouragement in the tone of New York advices. There was, however, a good order demand for cash wheat, for points both east and west, and holders were very firm, while the fact had a considerable influence on values, which were quoted at an entire freedom as heretofore. For a long time there was scarcely anything doing, as operators on both sides held off for the opening, as shown by the demand sprung up towards noon, and stiffened prices. The course of the wheat market during a month past has been as follows: Opening of the one side it has been claimed that there is more than enough wheat on hand to supply the wants of the world until the next harvest, which promises to be an abundant one; and that the present prices of wheat must in steadily check consumption, in view of the unusual cheapness of corn. There is probably some force in this objection. It is reported from Europe that, while France has not taken more than a fourth part of the 10,000,000 quarters which it was thought would be necessary to tide her over till the time of harvest she is now actually exporting wheat to Great Britain, and that probably the principal cause of the recent decline there. On the other hand, it is evident that the supply of wheat in the hands of the trade in Chicago, where the lack of storage room may have on ething to do with it, but at Milwaukee and other nearby points, is much smaller, little more than 1,500,000 bu in store here, against 3,500,000 a year ago. The option of seller May has ranged from 91 3-8c to $1 34, closing at $1 25½ and closed firmer at $1 25½. Seller April sold at $1 21@$1 20½, and seller June at $1 25½@1 25¾. Seller July sold at 1 26½@1 26¾, closing at $1 26½ asked. No. 2 spring were inactive and nominal at $1 28@1 30 for No. 1, $1 15@1 16 for No. 3, and $1 06@1 07 for rejected. The following sales were reported of 5,000 bu No. 2 spring at $1 20; 5,000 bu do at $1 20½; 16,000 bu do at $1 20¾; 5,000 bu do at $1 21; 5,000 do at $1 19½; 5,000 bu do at $1 19. Total, 41,000 bu.

Corn was more active, and firm at yesterday's quotations, being in good speculative demand —much of it on country account—a great deal of corn was sold short last autumn for delivery in May, and the sellers have watched the market go down to a point where many think it safe to think it safe to fill in. They are, hence, taking stocks rather freely, and bought largely to-day. Our current receipts are very light, and all markets track-corn comparatively firm, especially as it can now be unloaded into vessels, which was not possible in winter. The seller May sold at 40½c April opened at 39¾c, and improved to 39¾c at the close. Seller May sold at 41@42c; seller May at 41½@42c; seller June at 42½@43c, and seller July, at 43@43½, all closing at the outside. Cash sales were reported of 10,000 bu No. 2 here, 5,000 bu do at 39¾c; 5,000 bu do at 37½; 5,000 bu on track at 38c; 3,000 bu cars at 40c, delivered. Total, 62,000 bu.

Oats were quiet, and steady at about the same prices as yesterday, the demand being limited to a very few options, and a small number of car loads, which have been taken by the trade the month was nominal at 30½c; seller April sold at 30½c; seller May at 34½c; and seller June at 35½c. Sales were the following: by sample: 600 bu at 29½c; 400 bu at 34; 600 bu at 33½c; 3,000 bu delivered on shipping cars, at 33½c. Total, 4,600 bu.

Rye was a shade firmer, but inactive, except on option: seller April sold at 69c, and was held at 70c, no buyer. Strictly fresh receipts of No. 2 were quoted at 71c.

Barley was quiet, and a shade easier, there being no inquiry for anything demanded for several days past. Seller April sold at 50c. Strictly fresh receipts of No. 2 were quoted at 62@63c, and fresh receipts of No. 3 at 60@61c. Cash sales: 2,000 bu No. 2, regular, at 51c; 400 bu by sample at 70c; 800 bu do at 65c. Total, 3,200 bu.

In the afternoon wheat was irregular. It closed about half-past 1 o'clock, as above noted, at $1.25½, seller May. Subsequently it declined a shade, sported lower, and the market sold down to $1.24½, then sold up to $1 25½ previous to the call, the result of which was as follows:

Mess pork, cash or seller the month, $11 25 bid, $11 35 asked; do seller April, 5 0 brls sold at $11 30, closed at $11 30 bid, $11 35 asked; do seller May, 1,500 brls sold at $11 52½, closed at $11.52½ bid, $11.55 asked; do seller June, 500 brls sold at $11 70, 600 brls at $11.72½, closed at $11.72½ bid, $11.75 asked; do seller July, $11.90 bid, $12 00 asked.

Lard, cash or seller the month, $8 00 bid; do seller April, $8.10 bid, $8 15 asked; do seller May, $8.25 bid, $8.35 asked; do seller June, $8.40 bid, $8 45 asked; do seller July, $8.60 bid, $8.65 asked.

Wheat, cash or seller the month, $1.19½ bid, $1 20½ asked; do seller April, 45,000 bu sold at $1 20; 25,000 bu at $1.20½; closed at $1 20¾ bid, $1.21 asked; do seller May, 25,000 bu sold at $1.24; closed at $1.24¾ bid, $1.25½ asked; do seller June, $1.26½ bid, $1.27 asked.

Corn, cash or seller the month, 37½c bid, 38c asked; do seller April, 25,000 bu sold at 38½; closed at 38½c bid, and 38c asked; do seller May and June, 5,000 bu sold at 41½; closed at 41½ bid, 41¾c asked; do seller June, 10,000 bu sold at 43½; closed at 43¾ bid, and 43¾ asked.

Oats, cash or seller the month, 30½ bid, 31c asked; do seller April, 30½c bid, 30¾c asked; do seller May, 34½c bid, 34¾c asked; do seller June, 10,000 bu sold at 35½; closed at 35¾ bid, and 35¾ asked.

CHICAGO DAILY MARKET.

THURSDAY EVENING, March 28.

BUTTER—Actively characterized the market for choice butter, as the offerings are not sufficient to fall considerably below the current wants of the trade, prices keep well in common descriptions are steady; though unchanged. Dairy at about former rates. We quote:

Strictly choice dairy, packed.....25@
27c; choice to prime, common to fair do, 15@18c; fair to choice tub and firkin, 16@22c; inferior to common grades, 7@15c.

BAGGING—Prices were nominally the same as have been current for the past fortnight or more, though the market for cotton bags seems to be working firmer. The demand is fair and the annexed quotations: Stark, 39½c; Graham-ton, 37½c; Philadelphia, 37½c; Ludlow, 33½c; Lewiston, 37c; American, 35c; Royal River, 34c; fair to choice tab and firkin, 16@22c; inferior to common grades, 7@15c.

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GREEN FRUITS—Orange were in active demand and the market is tending upward. Lemons are also reported in better request. Other fruits remain about former rates. The quote: Apples, from store, $3.00@4.50; cranberries, $12.00@13.00 for wild, and $13.00@14.00 for cultivated; lemons, $6 50@7 50; Messina, ½ box, $5.50@6.50; do, Palermo, $6 25@6.50.

GROCERIES—Continued activity is witnessed in this line, the demand from mail orders as well as the attendance of country dealers being noticeably on the increase. With the large stocks now on hand prices and close margins at which the goods are being offered, our merchants are not only holding all their former trade, but many customers are steadily being added to the list. Prices to-day underwent no quotable change. Sugars were being held with slightly increased firmness, in sympathy with New York. Other goods in the list are quoted steady. The following are the current rates:

COFFEE—Choice Rio, at 22@23c; prime do at 20@22c; good, at 18@20c; common, at 17@18c; Costa Rica, at 20@22c; Singapore, at 24@25c; Mocha, at 28@29c; Maracaibo, at 21@24c.

CANDLES—Star, full weight, 19@19½c; stearine, 14@15c.

SPICES—Ranges at prices: Carolina, at 8½@9c; Sugars—Hard sugars, at 12½@13c; A, 12½@13c; extra C, at 12@12½c; C, at 11½@11½c; choice brown, at 10½@10¾c; fair to good brown, 10@10½c; New Orleans, at 9½@10c; molasses, do at 9@9½c.

SYRUPS—Syrups, at 55@60c; extra, at 60@65c; good sugar-house syrup, at 40@60c; extra, at 65@70c; choice silver drips, extra fine, at 80@85c. New Orleans, at 55@70c.

RICES—Allspice, at 12@14c; cloves, at 19@20c; cassia, at 22@23c; pepper, at 21@22c; nutmegs, at $1 20@1 25.

SALTS—French mottled, at 4½@4¾c; standard, at 4½@4½c; Germans, at 4½@4¾c; Turks, at 4½@4¾c; Lily, at 7@7½c; White Rose, at 6½@6¾c; brown Windsor, at 4½@4½c; palm, at 10@11c.

STARCH—Pearl, at 8½@9c; kingsford, 10@10½c; laundry, at 6½@7c; common, at 5@6½c.

HAY—Since this market was firm at the recent advance, and the receipts have been quite moderate, but dealers are looking for an active trade by and by, and for a further advance in prices. We quote: Baling hay, $12 00@13 00; timothy, $15 00@16 00; prairie, $9 00@10 00. On the basis of these prices quote the wholesale prices paid by dealers for hay, on track: Timothy, $13.50@15 50; do, loose pressed, $13.50@15 00; prairie, pressed, $9 50

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PASSAGE OF THE CHICAGO RELIEF BILL.

The Chicago Relief bill passed both houses of Congress yesterday, having been amended so as to exclude lumber. While grateful for the relief that is afforded by the bill, we consider the exception of lumber as an indefensible concession to a monopoly. The reason given for the exception of lumber is altogether absurd. It is stated that the stock on hand in Wisconsin and Michigan is so great that it is not probable that any lumber would be imported from Canada. If the danger of importing foreign lumber was so very remote, why except lumber from the operations of the bill? No stronger reason, even from the Protection standpoint, could be given for suspending the duty, than that none of the article will be imported.

The petty meanness of these lumbermen of Michigan will probably have in the end a wholesome effect. There are eight or ten States supplied with lumber almost exclusively through the Chicago market. Every farm-house, barn, corn-crib, fence, and outhouse in the West has to pay $2 per thousand, as a special tax, to the owners of these pine forests, for the privilege of using Michigan lumber. This tax is levied without consideration of any kind. It is plain robbery, committed with all the effrontery of the footpad who collects his money on the "stand and deliver" method. Besides those States supplied through Chicago, there are others whose people are supplied from other lake ports. All are taxed in the same way. The tenacity with which these men cling to their license to rob is shown in the persistent fight they have made on this Chicago Relief bill. The whole people are now advised, and we trust that from all parts of the country there will go up to Congress a demand that this meanest of all the many mean taxes imposed by the tariff will be repealed.

GOVERNOR PALMER AND THE BURNT RECORDS BILL.

The people of Chicago owe Governor Palmer a debt of gratitude for his interference with the course of the Burnt Records bill. He notified the friends of the bill of certain glaring defects in it, and thus enabled them to avoid a veto by recalling it. This action has provoked severe criticism upon the Governor, but he can rest assured that, now that the defects of the bill have been exposed, he is sustained by the almost unanimous sentiment of the people of this city.

It will seem surprising that the bill could have passed a Legislature full of lawyers without those defects arresting the serious attention of the many eminent gentlemen in both houses, but it is gratifying to know that a majority of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate have finally decided upon amendments which will relieve the bill of many of its more glaring errors. It will be the duty of the County Board to examine into the state of the records of the county, and, in case they found any abstracts and other transcripts of records fairly made before the fire, to purchase the same; the amendment requires this examination to be made by the judicial officers of the county, who shall place on file a certificate that such abstracts tend to show a chain of title to the lands in said county; and, upon this certificate, the County Board may, with the approval of the Judges, purchase the same.

The bill as it passed required that these abstract of records, and all deeds or other instruments in writing, when offered in evidence, "shall be presumed to have been executed and acknowledged according to law." The amendment made in this particular is, that presumptions shall not be made against persons in the quiet and peaceable possession of lands before the fire, and who, in consequence of the destruction of the buildings thereon, abandoned actual possession for the time; nor against infants, or married women claiming interest in their own right, nor against persons of unsound mind.

The bill as it stood conferred the right to bring suit by chancery proceeding to have titles confirmed, upon "any person claiming title." The amendment limits this privilege to those who at the time the records were destroyed were in the possession of the lands and then claimed title thereto.

The bill as it passed required the petitioner to describe the lands, and to name all the persons claiming estate in fee in the same, with all the conveyances of the same recorded since the fire, so far as the same are known to the petitioner, and "all persons *so named* in the petition shall be made defendants;" this has been amended by inserting that all persons "*so required to be named*" in the petition shall be made defendants. The amendment further provides that the person who shall falsely swear to said petition shall be deemed guilty of perjury, and punished accordingly; and the person filing said petition, as well as the person swearing thereto, shall be liable in damages to the person injured by such false statement.

The bill originally provided that, if no demurrer or answer to a petition shall be filed by the third day of the term, the petition may be taken as confessed, and a decree entered according *to the prayer of the petitioner*; to this has been added that the decree shall be entered "*upon proof of the facts stated in the petition.*"

The provision authorizing the Courts to decide and determine, upon one of these petitions, the estate, title, and interest, of whatever kind, legal or equitable, of all persons whatever, *whether named in said petition or not*, has been amended so as no limit the effect of the decree to those "who are made parties to said proceeding, and have had notice of the pendency thereof." The amendment further reforms the bill by providing that any decree entered on petition shall be subject to be opened, vacated, or set aside by any non-resident who has not been personally served with notice, upon his petition, filed within one year after the entry of decree.

The Committee have added a section which, in substance, provides that, when abstract books are made evidence, the owners thereof shall furnish abstracts to parties in the order of their application, within reasonable time, at a charge not exceeding $1.50 for each conveyance; failing to do which, they shall be deemed guilty of extortion, and may be punished by indictment. Some such provision as this last was needed, for, if the abstract books were made legal evidence without such restraint, the whole county would be placed in the power of the abstract-owners, who would then hold the evidence of every man's title, and might demand any price for its production. The amendment also provides appropriate penalties for alterations, erasures, or mutilations of any papers which have been made evidence of title.

These amendments will commend themselves to every fair-minded man. No person can read them without being struck with the fact that each one arrests a possible fraud, through which inestimable injury might be done. Without these amendments, the bill would place it within the power of irresponsible persons to put all the titles in this county under a cloud, and of course to levy blackmail accordingly. If any person is to be allowed to try that game, let him be made to do so under the penalties provided for perjury. We have them in a sense of honesty and justice strong enough in the Legislature to sustain the Governor in his efforts to protect the people against the mischief which this bill would do if when it first passed the two houses.

We have before us a copy of a bill passed by the House of Representatives which contains 31 printed pages of names of persons from whom the bill removes the legal and political disabilities under the Fourteenth Amendment. This bill was never read in the House; every member was allowed to include in the names of any persons the understanding being that certain classes were not to be inserted. Yet Congress refuses to pass a bill removing the disabilities of all persons of the same classes which are named in this bill. The whole proceeding is a mockery of legislation, and furnishes a complete answer to all the objections made to a general amnesty.

GERMAN VIEWS OF THE FRENCH-ARMS INVESTIGATION.

The extract from the *Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* which Mr. Hamlin introduced in the French-arms investigation, the other day, and which has been used to defeat the purpose of the investigation, has received a very sudden and effective quietus. The purport of the extract was, that the German Government took no interest, or, at most, only a negative interest, in the question of the sale of arms to France; consequently it is asked, if Germany cares nothing about it, why should the United States? The argument has the merit of plausibility, but is destitute of merit, because the investigation was not started for the benefit of Germany, but for the correction of misdemeanors at home. It now appears that, instead of Germany being indifferent to the investigation, Germany is very considerably exercised concerning it. The *Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* does not speak the sentiments of the German people, neither are its sentiments inspired by the German Emperor. It is the organ of Bismarck, and only reflects the Chancellor's opinions. The Berlin correspondent of the Breslau *Gazette*, who is always well informed of what is going on at the Prussian Court, makes some statements concerning the effect of the investigation in Germany, and these have been confirmed by subsequent cable despatches. It seems that Bismarck, for various reasons, has always been desirous to maintain friendly relations with the United States, and has taken advantage of the crushing defeat of France to smooth over the whole matter by soothing articles in his organ, one of which was quoted by Mr. Hamlin. The articles, however, have not soothed either the German people or the Emperor,—a fact which gives point to the remark of Mr. Schurz, that it would be well for American Senators if they would study the policy of foreign Governments, so that they might express themselves intelligently and consistently when they speak of them. It now appears that the Emperor has read the testimony with surprise and indignation, and that among German politicians it is very generally conceded that, at the opening of the next session of the German Parliament, an inquiry into the subject, coupled with a vote of censure of Bismarck's conduct, will be moved by the Opposition. In the Liberal circles of Germany, opinion is very much divided, and, while some do not wish the relations between the two countries to be disturbed, the majority do not approve of Bismarck's policy of acquiescence in a violation of neutrality, and are of opinion "that the Cabinet at Washington should be promptly called upon for an explanation of the damning facts brought forward."

This state of the facts ends the argument that Germany does not care for the investigation. But whether Germany does or does not care for it, is of the least account to us. Assuming that Germany takes no interest in it, that does not alter the gravity of the offence. It does not lessen the guilt of the forger who defrauds a bank, that the bank, for reasons best known to itself, does not prosecute him. If the United States has violated international law, and also its own law, by selling arms to France while that nation was engaged in war with Germany, the United States must purge itself of that wrong, whether Germany complains or not. If we are unwilling to investigate that charge upon a sufficient indictment, what right have we to make complaint against Great Britain for a similar offence? The Senators who are throwing obstacles in the way of this investigation are doing very one who are the most frantic in demanding indirect damages from Great Britain. But how can we refuse to inquire whether we have violated a law in one case, and yet demand extortionate damages for the violation of the same law in another? Are we not establishing a precedent thereby which will afford Great Britain the very pretext she desires to overthrow the Geneva Arbitration? The course of the opposition in these regards is only worthy of pettifoggers. They institute a claim against Great Britain, and, when that claim is brought up for trial, not content with demanding a fair appraisal of the property destroyed, they bring in a bill for additional damages, so intangible and ethereal in character that they have not yet been able to compute their amount. At the same time, when charges are brought against the United States Government of violating the same law Great Britain has violated, they resolutely insist that the charges shall not even be examined, and, when an examination is ordered, throw every obstacle in the way of it.

Notwithstanding the obstacles which a powerful opposition is throwing in the way of this investigation, and notwithstanding the attempt which that opposition is sedulously making to give the investigation a political complexion, one by one the facts support the allegations. Three important points have now been established beyond question: 1. That our Government sold arms and ammunition out of the public arsenals to agents of the French Government during the Franco-German war. 2. That the Government knew the character of the agents of the French Government to whom it sold the arms, since it accepted the margin of profit on the purchase, in at least one instance, two days after (and delivered arms a month and more later still) it was informed of their character as such agents. 3. That between three and four millions of dollars was "spilled" somewhere between our Government and the French Government. It is not likely that it was spilled in the sea.

A despatch from Omaha declares that "All Omaha merchants avow that they will never trade with Chicago again" on account of the views expressed by the Chicago press, meaning, we presume, THE TRIBUNE, on the effort of the Union Pacific Company to compel the four Iowa roads to cross their bridge and pay toll for the privilege. The only article of Chicago merchandise which can possibly be lessened in value or cheapness to the merchant princes of Omaha by the views of THE TRIBUNE, is THE TRIBUNE itself. That they do not cease to buy and read THE TRIBUNE on account of our views, is shown by their denunciations. Now, if they have not the resolution to stop buying THE TRIBUNE, they are very unlikely to stop buying the ginghams, sheetings, and muslins of certain Chicago merchants, in whose establishments THE TRIBUNE Company has no pecuniary interest.

It still seems plain to us that, as the *terminal* of the four Iowa roads are all at Council Bluffs, they cannot be compelled to carry freight or passengers one mile farther. The attempt to make them cross the Missouri River over a track and bridge built by and belonging to the Union Pacific Company, is as useless as it would be to attempt to make them run their trains to Denver. Whatever power can make them go three miles beyond their route to Omaha, can compel them to go three hundred.

The substitution of Mr. G. W. Homan as lessee of the bridge for the Union Pacific Railroad Company, only makes the matter worse. The Union Pacific were at least responsible parties, and the chief objection the Iowa roads had to crossing their bridge was, that it was needless and expensive for them to do so. But, now that Mr. Homan is in charge of the bridge, the Iowa roads are asked to entrust their freight to a party who, so far as they can judge, is irresponsible. If he tips it into the river, or otherwise destroys it, or converts it to his own use, they have only Mr. Homan to look to. The Union Pacific do not guarantee his responsibility. For all freight that the four Iowa roads receive from the Union Pacific, the Iowa roads are responsible to the Union Pacific. But the Union Pacific ask that, for all freight which they ship over the Union Pacific, Geo. W. Homan only shall be responsible. There is no point in the country where railroads do business with an irresponsible party in the manner thus asked by the Union Pacific. If that is a reason why Omaha merchants will not buy goods cheaper in Chicago rather than dearer elsewhere, it is unfortunate for the Omaha merchants.

The facility and integrity with which railroads take possession of the other property of the country, and divide it with its producers, remind one of the honesty of the traditional stage-driver who, before turning over his receipts to his employer, always made an impartial division of them between the employer and himself, and, if there was an odd shilling that would not divide, tossed up for it according to the very nicest principles of equity, and, if it fell "heads up," gave it to his employer. The New York Central, and Pennsylvania Central, and New York & Erie recently formed a "South Improvement Company," whose object was to divide the profits of producing oil between the producers and themselves. To this their partners in the division objected, and, as the result, the Improvement Company collapses. But, even at its funeral, the railroads effect a like arrangement in principle directly with the oil-refiners as they had aimed to effect through the South Improvement Company. At a meeting of the oil-refiners and producers of Pennsylvania, New York, and Boston, rates were agreed upon which were fifteen cents per barrel higher on refined than on crude oil to all seaports. Refined and crude oil cost the same to transport, and the dangers of transportation are greater on the crude than on the refined, as it takes fire more easily. Why, then, should it cost fifteen cents per barrel more to freight the refined than the crude? Only that the companies perceive that there is a larger value to divide, and, therefore, their slice is larger. Just as, when corn rises, they raise freights on corn, and, when it falls, they reduce them. In short, the calculation of most roads is to "size the pile" of the producing interests of the country, and divide the value of whatever they have to send as evenly as the nature of the case permits.

The people of Georgia are at last anxious to know exactly where they stand financially, and to this end have sent two members of their Legislature to New York, who will make their headquarters in Wall street until they get to the bottom of the financial transactions of Rufus B. Bullock, ex-Governor of that State. Under his regime,—1868-'71,—the issue of State bonds was $6,648,000. The railroad bonds endorsed during the same time amount to $5,333,000, making $12,181,000 of the entire debt of $17,983,000 due to three years of carpet-bag Government. Out of the railroad debt with which Bullock burdened Georgia, the State has not received anything for over 80 per cent of the amount. It is also stated that one Wall street broker was Treasurer of three of the newly-chartered roads, and another broker was President of seven of them. The people of Georgia naturally feel uneasy over such internal improvements as these, and want to know exactly where they stand. They have, consequently, gone, in the person of their representatives, right into Wall street, where their internal improvements were manufactured.

The methods in which Boston liquor-dealers persistently evade the various prohibitory laws designed to make the Commonwealth virtuous instantly, are many and shrewd, but no one of them all surpasses in dexterity the way in which the Massachusetts statute of 1777, declaring the clerical performance of "unlawful and immoral" was made to defeat the letter of the law's passage. The Boston Theatre advertised: "On Monday evening will be delivered a moral lecture, enforced by the affecting story of Jane Shore, which will be alternately recited by Messrs. Harper, Powell, and others." In 1779 Pennsylvania decreed a similar law, whereat the manager of the old South Street Theatre adopted a similar ruse. He announced: "A concert will be given, Jane Shore, at the close. During the afternoon intermission, a lecture will be delivered in five parts on 'Filial Piety, as exemplified in the History of the Prince of Denmark.'" When Philadelphia had grown tired of this "lecture," it was edified by another on the subject of "The Disadvantages of an Improper Education, as Exemplified in the History of Tony Lumkin, by Dr. Goldsmith." Attempts were made to punish the clever managers in both cities, but some legal quibble protected them, and they defied one absurd law as completely as the Boston liquor-dealers are defying another.

About two months ago, a State Senator from Philadelphia died. A new election was ordered. A skilfully packed caucus nominated a Mr. Gray. Thereupon a number of Republicans nominated Colonel McClure, on a Reform platform. Great interest was taken in the result, because the two parties were Administration and anti-Administration. When Gray was declared elected, the Office-holding editor, who represents the President that his days may be long in his office, was exceeding glad, and said that Gray's triumph insured the failure of the Cincinnati Convention. McClure asked for an investigation and got it, after much difficulty. Overwhelming frauds were disclosed. One Election-Inspector testified:

> The judge shut the polls at the first hour I saw him put his hand in the box and count the tickets before the hour had expired. The next hour I saw him take tickets out of his pocket and put them in the box, and take others out.

Evidence such as this, given by a score of respected citizens, has convinced the Pennsylvania Senate, so that they returns to his home and is succeeded by McClure.

When Mr. Lincoln was assassinated, some probably well-meaning ministers considered it their duty to announce that he had by no means gone to Heaven, because he had previously gone to the theatre. Quite a brisk discussion arose on the question. After Dickens' death, the English clergy declined him to the realms of bliss and woe, according to their estimate of the benefits of novel-reading. Another brisk discussion arose, and seems to have excited the old controversy in this country, for angry articles on the present status of Lincoln's soul are having a great run. A friend has entered the conflict with the statement that he went to the theatre to get rid of office-holders and office-seekers; that he was too tired to see the play; that he talked about going to the Holy Land and Heaven; and that he was just saying "Jerusalem" when Booth shot him. We trust that this will end the dispute.

It is fortunate that a late issue of the St. Paul *Press* did not reach Washington before the Senate voted on the Chicago Relief bill, for it deals the measure a most damaging blow by arguing, or, rather, by saying, that its passage would increase the number of persons dependent on the Relief and Aid Society, and that the possibility of its passage has kept all Chicago idle for five months. Considering that in that time we have built a very respectable St. Paul, we can scarcely be accused of idleness; and, until the *Press* enlightened our ignorance, we always supposed that the long-continued and severe cold, which made outdoor work an impossibility, was the reason of the number of involuntary paupers. How the Relief bill, which will greatly increase the demand for labor, will at the same time increase the number of the idle, we cannot see.

While the ways and means of taxation are attracting so much attention, it is worth while to notice that, Massachusetts is on the point of abolishing her capitation-tax entirely. Until two years ago, not only residents of the State, but immigrants landing at any of its ports, had to pay $2.40 each. The Convention which met at Indianapolis, in 1870, to discuss the whole subject of immigration, protested against this tax on foreigners, on the ground that, if a State could levy any such duty whatever, it could make it of any amount; and was, if every State followed this example, it would be impossible for foreigners to reach the interior at all. This sensible protest secured the repeal of this provision of the law. Now the citizens of Massachusetts are growing restive under such an undiscriminating system of taxation.

The records of our law courts occasionally contain mention of suits arising from the sale of women, either for other men, wives or for cash, but the most startling of such cases is one now pending in Vermont, where a gentle maiden sues a man for promising to buy her and refusing to fulfil his contract. She had a family, which he wished to purchase. She offered the property to him for $20,000, and refused to sell separately. He offered, however, to buy not the title-deeds of the land, and was so well satisfied with his bargain that he insisted on her keeping the rest of his purchase herself. She insisted, in turn, on his marrying her. He refused. She pleaded him for breach of contract, and will, it is said, win her suit.

Hallroads and the Common Council.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: What, in the name of common sense, do our Aldermen mean by opposing ordinances granting the right of way to railways desiring to enter our city? We all know that railway companies, like all other corporations, have no soul, and that they sometimes perpetrate high-handed outrages; but every one of us knows, too, what a blessing railways are to all over the country, dragging commerce have done toward making Chicago what it is. We want to give railways all the encouragement we can to enter our city, and not disheartan and drive them away by piling up technicalities, objections, and ordinances in their way. Even the Common Council of Omaha has sense enough to admit bodies in its St. Louis or Cincinnati, but are out of place now.

CITIZEN.

CHICAGO, March 28.

POLITICAL.

David Jenkins, a prominent colored politician, of Columbus, O., is about to remove to Mississippi, and, it is said, has Congressional honors before him.

—Ex-Senator Buckalew, having declined the nomination for Governor of Pennsylvania, the Democrats are turning to General Cass, who, it is claimed, will carry the Reading Convention.

—Dr. Howe is writing vigorously from San Domingo, narrating the yearning of the Dominicans, and the manifest destiny that propels this country to the eventual seizure of all those choice lands lying about in the Southern Seas.

—The Portland people are talking of Neal Dow for Mayor. The *Golden Age* says that some of the people of that city are so enamored of cold water that they would vote for a hydrant, could it be put in clothes and made to run.

—Philadelphia is in a delightful state of expectancy over a vigorous movement going on in the Legislature to have the State Capitol removed thither from Harrisburg. The State at large, however, does not share this complacency.

—The Rock Island *Union* says: "The Hon. George E. Waite, of Geneseo, at the solicitation of numerous friends in different parts of the State, has consented to allow his name to go before the Republican State Convention as candidate for Lieutenant Governor."

—The Wabash *Plaindealer* says there is every indication now that, if the Hon. Thomas A. Hendricks will accept the nomination for Governor at the hands of the Democratic party, he will be nominated by acclamation by the 12th of June Convention.

—The Winnamac *Democrat* says: "It is understood that the delegates from Indiana to the Republican National Convention are not to be obstinate in case the chances for nominating Colfax are equal to Grant's, notwithstanding their instructions to go for the latter."

—The Richmond (Va.) *Whig* asserts that General Grant may possibly be sustained for re-election by the Democrats. It says: "It is not so certain that he cares about the nomination at Philadelphia, and that he will not throw himself into the arms of the 'great liquor-loving and free-and-easy Democratic party.'" The Richmond *Dispatch* declares its preference for Grant over Sumner.

—Ex-Speaker Carter, of the Louisiana House of Representatives, said to an interviewer at Washington: "Warmoth is a thief, a traitor, and a liar. He has stolen himself millions of dollars from the ruined, war-ridden people of Louisiana; he deserted and betrayed every friend and principle he ever had, and as for lying—well, he is the most artistic liar that was ever in New Orleans, which is saying enough. He knows my opinion of him. But his power is broken there. The people are beginning to understand him, and his end is nigh."

—The Rochester (N. Y.) *Express* (Republican) says:

> The course of some friends of President Grant in ruling out of the party those who think the renomination of the President is not unwise. It is nearly three months before the Republican National Convention will meet, and full time for discussion and criticism are in order. All we have a right to demand is, that criticism be in a manner and spirit not likely to injure the party, whoever may be the candidate. We dislike to assume that any Republican can be hostile or personal interest to the party. All sorts of charges have been made against Senator Sumner, but the opinion of all is that he prefers the nomination of some one beside Grant for President. This, surely, is not treason. Senator Trumbull is regarded as the ecclesiastical principle of Republican policy. If the two are to be pitted against each other, which one of them should die? If the Republican party were so entirely dependent upon Grant's renomination, our National Convention had better get a platform ready, for it will be useless after the Presidential campaign.

—The Cleveland *Herald* (Administration) says:

> The treatment Senator Trumbull receives from certain Republican Senatorial leaders is a shame to the Republican party. It is due to the Senator to say that the course is not in accordance with the wishes of the great majority of his Senatorial fellow-workers, and he is consistent in his political career. Perhaps he has not been consistent. While we are writing this, comes the despatch that even Representative Dawes and Garfield are being assailed, and over the same Ingersollian inquisition; and for the reason that these gentlemen have not always aligned themselves with such Senators as Sherman and Wilson, and such Representatives as Dawes and Garfield, could somebody find the cunning hand to write the chapter of political fortunes, and their advice be followed in the conduct of the Presidential campaign, and the policy that could recommend be followed, the Republican cause would not be scandalized, while the Republican party would be strengthened. Those Democratic editors are powerless to do him harm, but certain volunteer special friends may prove his undoing at last.

—The following is from the New York *Tribune*:

> The *Freeman's Journal* (Cooperstown) says:
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> "Mr. Greeley is out in another card, in which he says:
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> "NEW YORK, March 7, 1872.
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> "'MY DEAR SIR: I am doing my best on the conservative movement, and expect to do so to the end. I am not a candidate for office, and should be an attempt to make free trade a plank of the platform, I must be counted out.'"
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> HORACE GREELEY.
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> "A. J. Wedderburn, Editor *Scottsel*, Alexandria, Va.
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> "—which impels us to say that Mr. Greeley is not worth what he was a month ago. Several persons who have asked him questions, have elicited brief replies; and these, though private, they have chosen to publish, for which he makes no objection. The above, however, is yet the most startling of such cases. It is one now pending in Vermont, where a gentle maiden sues a man for promising to buy her and refusing to fulfil his contract. She had a family, which he wished to purchase. She offered the property to him for $20,000, and refused to sell separately. He offered, however, to buy not the title-deeds of the land, and was so well satisfied with his bargain that he insisted on her keeping the rest of his purchase herself. She insisted, in turn, on his marrying her. He refused. She pleaded him for breach of contract, and will, it is said, win her suit.

PERSONAL.

The Japanese Embassy has preserved in a huge scrap-book every obtainable item published in regard to its members.

—Orpheus C. Kerr has gone into the commission business at Newark.

—At Fredonia, Kan., a party of 100 pioneers is forming to visit the Wichita Mountain country in New Mexico, to start about May 10.

—A fellow representing himself to be a son of the late Governor Hickox, of Michigan, has been swindling the people of West Virginia.

—Charles L. Norton, of Frewsburg, N. Y., died in Wallack's Theatre, New York, on Saturday night last.

—An obituary notice in a Michigan weekly alludes to a young man attending the Military Academy at Sing Sing, New York.

—Edward A. Egger, of Buffalo, has written the Lord Mayor, three times repeated, within the circumference of a three-cent piece.

—The Germans of Memphis will hold their annual spring festival, May 6, and expect to secure Carl Schurz as the orator of the day.

—It is rumored among the New York Alumni of Williams College that President Hopkins contemplates resigning at the next Commencement.

—Miss Myra Hodgkins, of Nobleboro', Me., has just completed a quilt in which there are 1,588 pieces, no two pieces of which are alike.

—Ex-Governor Bullock, wife, and daughter, of Worcester, Mass., sail from New York for Europe on Wednesday, and will probably remain abroad a year or more.

—General M. G. Vallejo, the most prominent native Californian in the history of the State, is lying dangerously ill at his residence in Sonoma. The General is 70 years of age.

—The misanthrope of the St. Louis *Times* says: "We actually propose to hang two men at Louisville who were too poor to pay for being acquitted of their crimes."

—A gentleman who recently left New York for Havana invested some thousands in Erie stock, and on Monday telegraphed an order for its sale at a net profit of $25,000.

—A doctor of medicine at Bath, England, has just had a legacy of $20,000 and a comfortable house left him by a lady who was only known to him by his once offering her a seat in his carriage.

—On a matter of weight on the United States Supreme Bench, Judge Clifford, of Maine, outweighs Judge Davis, of Illinois, 80 pounds—the former turning the beam at 365 pounds, and the latter at 285 pounds.

—The Rt. Rev. P. J. Ryan, of St. Louis, will be consecrated on the 14th of April Coadjutor Bishop of St. Louis. The consecratory Prelate will be the Most Reverend Archbishop Kenrick, assisted by several other Bishops.

—While Judge Kent was listening to argument at Norridgewock, Me., the Sheriff opened court daily at Skowhegan, and adjourned it in the absence of the Judge, in accordance with the statute.

—Mr. Elisha Blakeman, 84 years of age, and nearly all his life a member of the Church Family at Lebanon, N. Y., has just parted with the brethren and sisters. He has lately held such views that he could not longer remain in harmony with the sect.

—A kind lady in Galesburg, Ill., gave a pair of pantaloons to a poor boy lately. The next morning the youth returned and requested her to put a watch pocket in them, as other wise they would not be much use to him. It was done, and he departed rejoicing.

—Mr. S. S. Marrill, a Railroad Superintendent recently sent forward a special engine from Prairie du Chien to overtake the Milwaukee express, in order that a commercial traveller, named Salsman, might reach the deathbed of his little girl, aged 4 years.

—The head of a family in Omaha earns $30 per month by his labor, two boys earn $8 per week, and two girls earn $6 more. Two girls beg enough to support the whole family and four boarders besides, thus leaving the money earned as a fund to clothe them and pay for the house and lot lately purchased.

—At Detroit, on Tuesday last, in opening a freight car from Chicago, the man who unlocked the door was greatly surprised to see two healthy-looking lads leap out and run off through the depot grards. They had smuggled themselves on to the car at Chicago, and had an oyster-can full of water and a inch of crackers and cheese.

—A Mr. Smith, of Louisville, has six daughters and no boys. His married sister has seven sons and no daughters. The girls will of course marry and change their names; the boys take their names, standing over the country. grasping commerce have done toward making Chicago what it is. We want to give railways all the encouragement we can to enter our city, and not disheartan and drive them away by piling up

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NEW YORK.

Why Mayor Hall's Trial Came to an End.

Something More About "Ring" Affairs.

How "Fanny Fern" Was Presented With a Rosebud.

From Our Own Correspondent.

NEW YORK, March 21.

MAYOR HALL'S TRIAL.

The first one of the so-called "trials" of the magnates of the "Tammany Ring," who, in a few years, have plundered New York City of unknown millions of dollars, has resulted in nothing, as has been repeatedly predicted by your correspondent. The suits against Mayor Hall has been abandoned by the Judge, who, in a fit of disgust, discharged the jury on a technical question of the legality of their proceedings; and so the time of Judge, jury, lawyers, defendant, and public generally, has for weeks been utterly wasted. Though the result has been brought about in a way different from what we expected, viz.: by a legal question rather than by the failure of proof sufficient to convict, the effect on the public mind is the same, and the people are more than ever convinced that the whole thing is a farce, and that the Ring will never be punished until they reach some world far beyond the jurisdiction of certain magistrates who now ornament the Bench of the Excelsior State. It must be understood that there has been no acquittal of the defendant, no trial on the merits at all; but that the whole affair, owing to a conflict of opinions between Judge Daly and Recorder Hackett as to the legality of their several branches of the same Court, has simply been dropped by the former magistrate, and all the work has to be done over again. The case seems to be this, and, although somewhat of a muddle, I trust to describe it with sufficient lucidity to render it comprehensible. Although, in this city, it is inadmissible that two terms of the same Court should be in session at the same time, under separate Judges, for the transaction of new business, it has been considered permissible for the Judge of the expiring term to close up all unfinished business before adjourning his Court, even though the new term has already been commenced by another Justice. The trial of Mayor Hall was commenced in the Court of General Sessions for the term ending at the close of February, Judge Bedford being on the Bench; but, as he contemplated leaving the city for purposes of recreation, it was finally decided, by consent of principals and counsel, that Chief Justice Daly, of the Court of Common Pleas, who is *ex-officio* Judge of the Court of General Sessions, should preside at the trial. On the day finally decided on for the trial to proceed, Justice Daly took his seat, and the trial was begun on Monday, Feb. 5. It went on until February expired, when, on March 4, the regular new term of March was opened by Recorder Hackett, the colleague of Judge Bedford. Thus the curious spectacle was exhibited of two terms of the same Court in session, under different Judges, at the same time,—the trial of the Mayor proceeding before Justice Daly as "unfinished business," while the March session, under the Recorder, was prepared to take cognizance of any new matter presented by the Grand Jury for its consideration. Counselor Howe, in another case entirely, before Recorder Hackett, during the early part of the March term, raised the point that one of the two Courts was illegal and he claimed it to be the Court of Recorder Hackett, before which his client was then on trial. The objection was overruled; and again, in a second case, the next day, did the Recorder overrule a similar objection,—taking occasion, in this second instance, to express, in the strongest terms, his great respect for the opinions and decisions of his colleague, Judge Bedford, he differed with him entirely as to his power to prolong the February term of this Court beyond the period fixed for the next regular term, and that, consequently, he held the later proceedings in the Mayor Hall case to be void. Thereupon, after a brief argument, an elaborate discussion had been going on before Judge Daly, on the same point, between the counsel for Mayor Hall, on the one side, and the District Attorney on the other, and the Judge had promised to give his decision on the following Saturday. Unexpectedly, however, on the Thursday morning previous to the momentous day, the Judge surprised the community by announcing that, inasmuch as Recorder Hackett had judicially decided that his (Hackett's) Court was the only regular one, rather than bring about a conflict of decisions by asserting the legality of that over which he (Daly) had been called to preside, he would defer to their decision and there. He, therefore, discharged the jury and withdrew.

The point as to the legality of the jury after the death of one of its number not argued, though doubtless advantage would have been taken of that, had it been necessary, by the Counsel for the defence. The District Attorney, Mr. Garvin, will now work to do again. The prosecution, by the mouth of Counsellor Henry L. Clinton, announce their firm determination to put the Mayor again on trial, and, indeed, they assert that, if they can once clear themselves from the network of legal technicalities, and have an opportunity to put in actual proof, they will make a case vindicating Time will show. Meantime, your correspondent is strengthened in his formerly-expressed opinion, that, even if the worst comes to the worst, and the State's most last moment witnesses will disappear, proof will be found insufficient, or in some way the "intelligent jury" will fail to be convinced of the guilt of Mayor Hall. Personally, I am convinced that he will eventually emerge from his legal difficulties, not only unscathed by the strong arm of the law, but so bedaubed with complimentary whitewash as to evermore shine resplendent in the eyes of Tammany politicians and all others ambitive and envious of his distinguished moral, social, political, and pecuniary triumph.

RING AFFAIRS.

A few words more about the "Ring" affairs, and I have done with the dirty subject for this once. The sudden production of Andrew J. Garvey,—alleged to be one of the greatest of the Ring thieves, as a "United evidence" witness for the prosecution,—who had, in consideration of promised immunity for himself, agreed to tell "What he knew in about 5 minutes," stands, for the time, a stroke for the attorney on that side, was not, it would appear, their only card of the same sort. It is supposed by some that they have influenced the return to this city of Henry Hennessy Cooke, another one of the persons implicated in the operations of the Ring. One of the special charges against Cooke on which he was indicted by the Grand Jury, was procured before the Grand Jury, is, that, on May 24, 1870, he assisted in "raising" the claim of a certain G. L. Schuyler against the city, for carpentering, from something like $48,000 to $162,218.24, and in obtaining payment of the augmented bill from the Comptroller. It was worked in the usual manner. Schuyler put in his first bill for but $48,000, but could not get it paid. He was advised to assign his account to some person who had influence. He did assign it to Cooke, as alleged, who, it is said, increased the amount claimed from the original $48,000 to $162,218.24; for which sum he obtained a warrant from Comptroller R. B. Connolly, payable to the order of *G. L. Schuyler*, whose endorsement Cooke forged, then drew the money, paying over to Schuyler his $48,000, and reserving the nice little sum of something over $155,000 for division between himself and his confederates who assisted him in influencing the Comptroller to sign the "raised" claim. In addition to pocketing the $155,000 odd, Cooke also charged Schuyler the regular amount of some 5 to 15 per cent for collecting his $48,000. Cooke is also charged with other similar forgeries, and also with complicity in the burglary from the county archives of the celebrated "vouchers," which documents would have inevitably secured the conviction of men who may not now perhaps be reached. Though the sudden reappearance on the scene of Cooke looked as if he had been brought back by the Reformers to testify against the Ring, yet, as he was admitted to bail in the sum of $10,000 before Judge Bedford, on the application of lawyer John Graham, who is the counsel for Tweed and the Ring faction generally, it is surmised that he will not reveal a great deal that will be damaging to the defence.

At the time of the indictment of the Ring thieves by what is known as the "Extension Grand Jury," this man Cooke, James M. Sweeny, Charles E. Wilbour, and Cornelius Corson (the first two the brothers-in-law of Tweed, and the last his private secretary), Ingersoll, the furniture man, Andrew J. Garvey, the plasterer, and others fled the city. Garvey has turned up in the Hall trial as a witness for the prosecution; and now Cooke appears, gives bail for his own trial, and remains as a subordinate witness, it is surmised, in the case of Haggerty and Rankin, the "voucher-thieves," now in jail, and whose trial is set down for this week. As the principal witness in this case, Mr. R. B. Connolly, ex-Comptroller, cannot now be found by the District Attorney's staff of voucher-etc. will doubtless be admitted to bail, and so will end the first of those two gentlemen's wego. Every day strengthens the conviction that the Committee of Seventy will fail to punish any prominent member of the Ring for any past actions. They can but thunderbands for the future; that is all. The great Reform movement has, however, broken up the power of Tammany as a financial pest of swindlers, and, though it will doubtless fail to recover any of the funds stolen from it by Ring thieves, they are emasculated politically and ostracized socially for all time. Is this too much of an unhappy and thankless subject? It certainly is quite enough. Finis.

JAMES PARTON.

James Parton is well known to the world as a biographer, historian, magazinist, and brilliant writer on almost any popular subject that came to hand. His first book, or the one which first brought him prominently before the public, was the Life of Horace Greeley. Mrs. Parton, better known as "Fanny Fern," is also an ardent admirer of the philosophico-editorial-farmer, and a thorough sympathizer with most of his ideas, especially those on slavery and the elevation of the black race. "Fanny's" admiration of the "culled folks," and her sympathy for some of their idiosyncrasies, were recently put to a rather severe, and certainly very ludicrous test, one of the ladies of color having taken a liberty, which was certainly hardly excusable, with Mrs. Parton's hearth and home. "Fanny's" house-servants are negro-girls, and the special duty of one of them is to carry a cup of strong coffee and a biscuit early in the morning to her mistress, who, for several hours, until the writing is finished for the day, takes no other refreshments. One certain morning, "Rose" did not appear with the desired coffee, and the bell was appealed to, which, after several impatient jerks, was answered—not by "Rose," but by a "Violet." "Where is Rose?" inquires "Fanny." "Busy in de kitchen, Missus," is the answer. "But it is your business to attend to the kitchen work, and I wish Rose to attend to me." With a sniff of outraged propriety and insulted modesty, "Violet" states that "Rose is 'ticularly 'gaged jest dis time in de k

AND POLICE MATTERS.

...hges in Engine Houses--Resignations of Firemen.

...munication from the Mayor Concerning the Obstruction of Streets in the Burnt District.

A regular semi-weekly meeting of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners was held as City Hall, yesterday afternoon, President ...olt in the chair. Present, Commissioners ...olt and Sheridan, and the Fire Marshal and ... Assistants.

WATCHMEN.

In view of the fact that the Board has decided to dispense with the services of the watchmen on the engine-houses, the Fire Marshal presented the following "regulation:"

"There shall be a man on watch at all times in the ...ht, out or outside of their respective houses when ...ot engaged in the house, excepting hook- and ...der men, who are required to remain in the house ...ose company they belong to, one of which shall watch only from ...e to 12 p. m. All members of companies will be ...uired to read a regular watch, not exceeding four ...rs.

The President inquired if it was important to ...ve an extra man in the houses, now that the ...tchmen are to cease acting as such.

The Fire Marshal said it was, as there were ...ways too few men to handle the pipe at a fire. The President said that all the men should ...e a regular watch, whether of two, three, or ...r hours.

Commissioner Sheridan thought a regular ...ve should be established, and the number of ...rs was to be submitted, and the watches of the ...ferent companies be arranged.

If it would be had if, the engineer was away, his assistant was ...o watch in the lower.

The Fire Marshal said that would not occur.

The President suggested the promotion of the ...st fireman to assistant foreman, and that ...ese assistants have charge of the houses during the ab- ...ce of the foreman.

Commissioner Sheridan asked if they were to ...ve the same pay as they received now.

The President remarked that that was, of ...urse, understood. He wanted to know if the ...ief and Ladder men were to be exempted from ...ty.

The Fire Marshal replied that the trucks were ...anned in an up-to-date manner, and the men would ...ve to attend their regular turns.

RESIGNATIONS.

The resignations of the following-named firemen ...ere received and accepted: Harmann ...ter, Foreman of the Country; J. A. McClellan, ...ter of the Cemetery; William Otto, driver of ...e Hamilton hose cart; David Maxwell, of the ...aries Hope.

SERVICE TO MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

The President suggested that the rules be ...anged so as to require men appointed hereon- ...er on of the Fire Department to submit to a ...ysical examination. He had been informed ...at several men with weak lungs had been put ...to the force, who were unable to stand the work ...ey were needed,—those who were well devel- ...ed,—as no others could stand the work.

The Fire Marshal said there was a young man ...ho wanted to be appointed.

The President said that was to bring him ...ore the Board to be examined.

The young man entered the room, and the ...cretary examined him as to his age, color, and ...her "qualifications." His name is Edward Bim, ...d his residence, No. 76 Finnell street. He said ...e was born in Ireland, and was 20 years old. He ...as of a light complexion, and was about 5 feet ...0 inches in height, and his length caused much ...riment among the Commissioners, who indi- ...ted in "funny" remarks about him. For in- ...ance:

Commissioner Rehm. He can get on a roof ...ith a ladder.

Mr. Bim. Yes, and he could rise up and ...ake a blessing without asking for it.

The Fire Marshal. He would make a good ...ad and ladder man.

The President. Yes, no ladders would be necess- ...ry part of the use.

The young man's name was placed on "the ...ist," and he will receive an appointment ...hen there is a vacancy in the department.

A communication was received from the Mayor, and referred to the Superin- ...tendent of Police:

Members of the Board of Public Works, and Board of Police:

GENTLEMEN: I desire to call the attention of both ...ourselves and boards to the present obstructed con- ...dition of the streets or the city, particularly those ...n the burnt district. Many of the sidewalks are ...o narrow that two persons cannot walk abreast, ...nd they will be found so obstructed by brick, ...ire, lumber, and other building materials, as to ...ompel many of them to walk in the street. Even ...he usual sidewalk for a single vehicle is ...o narrow for the obstructions on both sides of the ...treet. With the present amount of building which ...s being carried on in this season, it can be easily ...een that all traffic must cease, and the sufferings ...f the people must increase through the "burnt ...istrict" will be attended with great inconvenience, ...nd I respectfully suggest that some action should ...e promptly taken to remove, so far as possible, ...he obstructions and encroachments, and to require ...he hauling of building materials to locations ...n the "burnt district" is most greater that for hauli- ...ng outside of the burnt district, on account of ...he impossibility to place it in the streets.

Mayor Heath, under the charter, makes it ...he duty of the Board of Public Works "to take the ...charge of the streets, and cause the same to be ...kept subject to all general ordinances of the Common ...Council." The Common Council has passed ordinances ...relating to sidewalks, if strictly enforced, will give ...relief required.

The following provisions applicable to this ...case:

"Any person who shall incumber or ob- ...struct in any manner any sidewalk, gutter, ...alley, public landing, wharf or pier, or other ...public place in said city, by placing thereupon there- ...on any box, cask, package, or other article whatever, without having first obtained written ...permission from the Board of Public Works, shall be subject to a penalty of not less than five nor more ...than fifty dollars for each offence, and a further ...penalty of one dollar for each day of any such ...incumbrance shall continue."

"Any person or persons, or any Alderman, or ...public officer (which includes the Police in part- ...icular), is hereby authorized to order any articles or ...incumbrances which may be found obstructing any ...street, alley, public landing, wharf or pier, or other ...public place in said city, to be removed, and the ...same to be removed within six hours after notice to the ...owner or person in charge thereof to remove the same, ...or in case the owner cannot be found, then to remove ...the same and sell the same at public auction."

Which latter clause will be found very ...useful in the case of wood, which is piled in the ...middle of public streets, and which cannot be ...removed without a permit from the Board of Public ...Works, which permits have received such perquisites ...that nothing whatever is to be removed without ...the payment of a fee, and in addition to which ...many citizens have received such permits to ...enclose with fences to the limits prescribed ...by law, and thus appropriate the space forbidden.

Unnecessary restrictions, that would seriously ...affect property owners building at this time, should ...not be imposed, but the general principle that ...private rights are to be exercised in the streets ...should be regarded and protected. The space within ...the fire limits is required to be open and unobstructed ...to the smallest person or the street necessi- ...ty be used for the purpose of erecting the build- ...ings.

The communication was referred to the Committee on Fire Department.

The following-named persons were appointed ...Special Police Officers, to serve during the pleasure of the Board, without pay:

Fullerton av, s e cor of High st, n f, 50 ft to alley, dated March 27; consideration, $2,250.

Lot 66, in Block 4, Sec 7, 39, 14, dated March 21; consideration, $700.

Lots 14 to 18, in Block 4, Sec 7, 39, 14, dated March 27; consideration, $1,000.

The premises No. 76 Finnell street, dated March 25; consideration, $3,000.

Lot 13, in Block 46, Sec 30, 39, 14, dated March 26; consideration, $1,100.

Lot 40 of Block 2 of ——; Block 2, Sec 23, 37, 14, dated March 1; consideration, $1,000.

Ellisay, s of Thirty-fifth st, w f, 842.25 ft, dated March 19; consideration, $4,000.

State st, 50 ft n of Twenty-fourth st, w l, 38 ft to alley; dated March 1; consideration, $7,000.

Michigan av, s e cor of Twenty-first and Twenty-second sts, e f, 56 f 12x210 ft, with buildings, dated March 1; consideration, $19,000.

Mc Cregor st, 33.4x 120 ft w of Stewart av, n f, 33 4x104 ft, dated March 13; consideration, $1,000.

Van Buren st, bet Centre av and Throop st, s f, 25 ft to alley, dated March 8; consideration, $12,075.

Lots 21 to 24 in Block 1, of Millard and Deck- er's s d to E W Sec 26, 39, 13, dated Sept 12, 1871; consideration, $4,000.

Lots 25 to 28 in Block 1, of Millard and Deck- er's s d to E W Sec 26, 39, 13, dated Sept 12, 1871; consideration, $4,000.

NORTH OF CITY LIMITS.

Lots 13 and 24 of Le Moyne's Block 1, of Le- Moyne's south 12 acres of e ½ n w ¼ Sec 35, 40, 14, dated Feb. 13; consideration, $10,000.

SOUTH OF CITY LIMITS.

Lots 16 and 17 in Block 1, Rose 1 to 3 and 22 to 24 in Block 4, and Lots 22 to 24 in Block 5, in Jen- kins' Subdivision of Jennings and Medbery's s ½ Sec 10, 38, 14, dated March 19; consideration, $20,000.

WEST OF CITY LIMITS.

11 17 100 acres on Johnson, Emerson, and Smith ave, dated Feb. 12; consideration, $17,375.

THE LAW COURTS.

The United States District Court.

BANKRUPTCY ISSUED.

In the case of Aaron Freundlich, a matter of bankruptcy, where a discharge was opposed upon the ground that the assets did not "pay out" 50 per cent of the indebtedness; that the bankrupt had concealed a part of his property, and had made false entries upon his books, the jury found that the bankrupt was entitled to a discharge.

ASSIGNEE APPOINTED.

William Vocke, member of the Legislature, was appointed assignee of the Germania Insurance Company.

NEW PROCEEDING.

James C. Lewis, of Elgin, was presented to the Court as a fit subject to pass through the bank- ruptcy branch; this upon petition of William Hart, of Elgin.

The Circuit Court.

GUARANTEE OF RENT.

An action for rent of the premises No 688 Wa- bash avenue, was tried and ended, for the time being, before Judge Tree, between Willis Dan- forth, plaintiff, and Henry Wagner, defendant. The suit was brought upon the allegation of a re- servation, not in writing, of rent of another party interested was set up a partial failure of the consideration of the original covenants. In this, that the house was untenantable for the purpose for which it was leased—a boarding- house. Notice of set off was also given. The jury found for the plaintiff, awarding $775. It was stated to be the law of such a case, that the plaintiff could recover such an amount of rent as the evidence showed to be due, if it was found that defendant signed the lease as agent of the lessee, and if his wife signed his name and her own jointly, and defendant subse- quently ratified the contract by rendering some payments, then this was a sufficient signature to the contract on the question of the ratification of the act of the wife, for a ratification is equivalent to a completed act of delivery. The liability of a surety cannot exceed that of his principal.

ALLEGATION OF AN ASSAULT.

There is on trial before Judge Tree an action by Charles Bartles against Frederick Gierman, to recover for an alleged assault and battery, it being charged that the defendant beat the plain- tiff on the 15th day of November last with a mason's trowel, with such force that lockjaw in- tervened, and deafness of the left ear resulted.

NEW SUITS.

An action of assumpsit was commenced by Alonzo Vanderen against Ira Foote, the de- mand being for $10,000.

An action of assumpsit was instituted by Daniel Wells and Nowell Wells against Milton C Otis and Dwight W. Keyes, by which demand is made for $50,000.

Andrew Gardner commenced suit against the Continental Life Insurance Company, of New York, in an action of debt, laying the debt $2,000, and claiming $400 as damages.

The Superior Court.

A CITY CASE GIVEN TO THE JURY.

There was given to the jury an action against the city by Mary Langlois and her husband Charles, to recover for damages for a fall by the lady through a sidewalk on Union street, corner of Jackson, on Lake street. The grade of Lake street is lower than that of Lake street, and the plaintiff, passing down an apron which accommodated the difference, slipped and fell, breaking her arm, bullising, into the space about four feet wide and six feet deep. The case has once been to the Supreme Court, a verdict for the plaintiff having been reversed, and reversed, as excessive. On this trial the Court instructed the jury that the city is bound to use ordinary care to keep its streets and sidewalks in a safe condition, so that all per- sons may pass and repass over the same with safety; but if the sidewalk was not in good safe condition, and the plaintiff was guilty of using due care and caution, and without fault on her part, but on account of the unsafe condition of the sidewalk, was precipitated, then the defendant is liable, providing always that such dangerous condition was the result of the act of one or more of the City, which care, under the law, is a reasonable degree of care only. It was also, however, the duty of the plaintiff to exercise reasonable care to prevent accident, and especially so if she was familiar with the walk over which she was passing at the time of the failure to do this on her part, the City would not be liable.

JUDGE.

In the absence of Judge Porter, who presides at the Criminal Court during the April Term next ensuing, Judge Gary will call in cases in rotation as instanced since the fire, and no calen- dar of old cases will be published. Judge Gary will do all of the Common Business of the Superior Court during said April Term.

BIGELOW BLOCK AGAIN.

A petition to declare and enforce a mechanic's lien was filed by John K. Winchell, as architect, against George A. Bigelow, and what is known as the Bigelow Block, which is in process of be- ing sold to the United States. The property is the late Bigelow Hotel lots, on the west side of Dearborn street, between Adams and Quincy streets.

ASSUMPSIT.

An action of assumpsit was commenced by Messrs Miller & Rigdon against Nelson Luding- ton and others, Trustees of the First Unitarian Society, of Chicago, the demand being for $2,500.

ALLEGED SLANDER.

An action on the case for slander was com- menced by Christof Gerlach against John Pfeifer. The damages are laid at $5,000. The alleged slander consisted in the statement on the part of the defendant that the plaintiff was a swindler, that he had swindled defendant enough, and if he wanted anything, to go thence immediately and sue.

The County Court.

WILLS PROBATED.

The will of Francis W. Savage, Jr., was proved, and a Power of Attorney was appointed to execute the trusts under bond of $15,000.

The will of Katharina Rose was proven, and letters of testamentary were granted to Henry Rose on his individual bond of $5,000.

GUARDIANSHIP.

Thomas McNamara was appointed guardian of Mary, Ellen, and Emma Shields, under bond of $3,000.

THE LATE D. P. WILDER.

Resolutions Adopted by the Winnetka Common Council and the Law School of the Chicago University.

A meeting of the Council of Winnetka was held on Wednesday evening, Hon. J.P. Atwood, Pres- ident, in the chair. After the transaction of or- dinary business, the President called Mr. O. E. Goss to the chair, and presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Judge to re- move by death David Parsons Wilder, formerly a member of this Council; and

Resolved, That in his death we appreciate the loss of a high citizen, a courteous gentleman, a good neigh- bor, and a Christian man.

Resolved, That we sincerely sympathize with the afflicted family of the deceased, and that we will ever share with the stricken widow her great grief in the knowledge that in her hour of bereavement the sympathies of a whole village will seek and obtain from a higher source that purer illumination of which hu- man sympathy cannot bestow.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered at length upon the journal of this Council; that the Clerk trans- mit a copy of the same to the widow of the deceased a certified copy thereof, and cause the same to be published in the Chicago daily papers.

At a meeting of the Law School of the Chicago University, held on Wednesday afternoon, a com- mittee, consisting of Messrs. Arthur Ryerson, Samuel M. Bouton, and Kirk D. Porter, was ap- pointed to draft resolutions. The Committee re- ported the following, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased it to our Heavenly Father to take from us, in the midst of his usefulness, our friend and instructor, David P. Wilder; there- fore,

Resolved, That we bear witness to his faithfulness and zeal as an instructor, and to his high character as a man, and while we deplore the loss to us of so shin- ing an example of professional honor united with Christian character, we cannot but trust that our teacher in his infinite love and wisdom, has taken him to Himself.

Resolved, That unto his bereaved and stricken fam- ily we offer our most heartfelt sympathies, hoping that He who is "the Way, the Truth, and the Life," may be a way of light to them out of their sore affliction.

The Late John Macdonald.

To the Editor of the Chicago Tribune:

SIR: We observed in your paper to-day a com- munication from James Cruse, of Kingsbury, Ind., relative to the late John Macdonald, who was killed by the falling of a tree, on Wabash avenue and Jackson street, last week; and, in a former issue of your paper, a statement that the body had been sent to New York for interment.

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MEETING OF THE ÆTNA CLUB.

A meeting of the Ætna Base Ball Club was held last evening at No. 39 West Randolph street. The attendance was good, it being apparent that the base ball spirit has not entirely departed from Chicago. The first business was the adop- tion of a constitution and by-laws. The Commit- tee on Grounds asked and obtained an extension of time, wherein to make their report. A Board of Directors was elected, consisting of Messrs. Keeley, Stinson, and King, to whom was dele- gated full power to secure players and make all necessary arrangements for the coming base ball season.

The meeting then adjourned to Tuesday evening next at the same hour and place. Among the players likely to be invited to join the Ætna Club are Duffy and Pinkham of last year's White Stock- ings, the latter as right-fielder and change- pitcher, and the latter as Captain and second base man; Collins, of the Southern Club of New Or- leans, as pitcher; Reid, of the Lone Stars, New Orleans, as third base man, and Brock, of last year's White Stockings, as short-stop.

From this week's New York Clipper.

The Haymaker Club, of Troy, N. Y., will enter upon the season with a very important array of players they have ever had to choose from. The list includes Wood, Zettlein, Hodes, Bond, Fisher, Ferguson, Start, Smith, Mc Ames and Steve King, of the old Haymaker nine; Force, from Washington; Bellan, from the Rose Hill College Club; Fenlon, from the Gothams; Martin from the Empires, and Allison, from Phila- delphia. Wood, their Captain, graduated from the Eckfords and came from the Chicago nine of 1870 and '71. D Allison is best known as the catcher of the famous Red Stockings, in which line he first won his reputation as a noted catcher. Force has been quite a long time in Washington, and with the Olympics. Zett- lein was the old Eckford pitcher, and then he became the Atlantic pitcher, and last built from Chicago. Gedney was in the Union nine of 1870 and the Eckfords of 1871. Bellan has been chiefly with the Haymakers since the beginning of the season. McAtee hailed last from Chicago. The only player who has always been by the Hay- makers now left of the original Red Stocking King. Martin is from the Mutuals and Eckfords. Hodes, from the Eckfords and Chicago, and Nel- son is from the Eckfords, Mutuals, and Excelsior. This team includes Zettlein and Martin as two of the most effective pitchers in the coun- try, Martin having not been hit safely in a de- livery. There are also three catchers, viz.: Al- lison, Hodes, and Bellan. The latter caught with great pluck, when in the Colleges last year. Burns' wild and swift delivery, and Hodes used to catch finely when in the Eckford nine, while Allison, in 1869, was the best catcher in the country. Wood has excelled as a second base player for many years, but especially so during the past season, while as Captain he has displayed considerable experience. He has yet much to learn in that position, especially in keeping his men disciplined. Gedney's record as a fielder was an excellent one last season, especially in supporting Martin; in fact, we question if any one has ever been a better supporter of catcher since the days of Allison. Force proved himself equal to the best in a majority of the Olympic games in 1871 as short-stop, and while he is inclined to be too talked their high Haymaker reputation in the positions they occupied. The two third base- men are Bellan and Nelson. Allison and Martin are told, has decided to play his nine at the commencement of the season as follows: Allison, catcher; Zettlein, pitcher; Nel- son, Force, S. King, Bellan and Martin. We do not regard this as the strongest disposition of his nine that he could make, but it is undoubtedly a fine team. Hodes is the man he should have to catch for Martin, and Bellan should occupy his old position at third base. Allison is not quick enough to catch from Martin. He might use Bel- lan for the purpose, and in such case bring Nelson in from left field to take Bellan's place. Martin's fair with Martin's delivery and none of the others are, and each pitcher should have his regular catcher.

THE FIRST TOUR.

The Forest City Base-Ball Club of Cleveland will be the first regular tour East during the season of May, when they play at Washington, afterwards at Boston, New York, and Philadelphia.

THE TURF.

KING DEXTER AND HIS COMPANIONS.

Professor Wagner in the Herald of Health.

Every detail exhibited the most perfect adapta- tion and fitness. The stables would be a more appropriate name for so perfect and expensive a stable. Five large box stalls on each side of a wide alley, the floor raised about four feet high, with an iron railing extending around the whole. Everything was clean and fresh. The horses were rendered, and exercised, as excessive. On this point the Court instructed the jury that the city is bound to use ordinary care to keep its streets and sidewalks in a safe condition, so that all per- sons may pass and repass over the same with safety; but if the sidewalk was not in good safe condition, and the plaintiff was guilty of using due care and caution, and without fault on her part, but on account of the unsafe condition of the sidewalk, was precipitated, then the defendant is liable, providing always that such dangerous condition was the result of the act of one or more on the part of the City, which care, under the law, is a reasonable degree of care only. It was also, however, the duty of the plaintiff to exercise reasonable care to prevent accident, and especially so if she was familiar with the walk over which she was passing at the time of the failure to do this on her part, the City would not be liable.

JUDGE.

In the absence of Judge Porter, who presides at the Criminal Court during the April Term next ensuing, Judge Gary will call in cases in rotation as instanced since the fire, and no calen- dar of old cases will be published. Judge Gary will do all of the Common Business of the Superior Court during said April Term.

BIGELOW BLOCK AGAIN.

A petition to declare and enforce a mechanic's lien was filed by John K. Winchell, as architect, against George A. Bigelow, and what is known as the Bigelow Block, which is in process of be- ing sold to the United States. The property is the late Bigelow Hotel lots, on the west side of Dearborn street, between Adams and Quincy streets.

ASSUMPSIT.

An action of assumpsit was commenced by Messrs Miller & Rigdon against Nelson Luding- ton and others, Trustees of the First Unitarian Society, of Chicago, the demand being for $2,500.

ALLEGED SLANDER.

An action on the case for slander was com- menced by Christof Gerlach against John Pfeifer. The damages are laid at $5,000. The alleged slander consisted in the statement on the part of the defendant that the plaintiff was a swindler, that he had swindled defendant enough, and if he wanted anything, to go thence immediately and sue.

The County Court.

WILLS PROBATED.

The will of Francis W. Savage, Jr., was proved, and a Power of Attorney was appointed to execute the trusts under bond of $15,000.

The will of Katharina Rose was proven, and letters of testamentary were granted to Henry Rose on his individual bond of $5,000.

GUARDIANSHIP.

Thomas McNamara was appointed guardian of Mary, Ellen, and Emma Shields, under bond of $3,000.

THE LATE D. P. WILDER.

Resolutions Adopted by the Winnetka Common Council and the Law School of the Chicago University.

A meeting of the Council of Winnetka was held on Wednesday evening, Hon. J.P. Atwood, Pres- ident, in the chair. After the transaction of or- dinary business, the President called Mr. O. E. Goss to the chair, and presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

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Resolved, That in his death we appreciate the loss of a high citizen, a courteous gentleman, a good neigh- bor, and a Christian man.

Resolved, That we sincerely sympathize with the afflicted family of the deceased, and that we will ever share with the stricken widow her great grief in the knowledge that in her hour of bereavement the sympathies of a whole village will seek and obtain from a higher source that purer illumination of which hu- man sympathy cannot bestow.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered at length upon the journal of this Council; that the Clerk trans- mit a copy of the same to the widow of the deceased a certified copy thereof, and cause the same to be published in the Chicago daily papers.

At a meeting of the Law School of the Chicago University, held on Wednesday afternoon, a com- mittee, consisting of Messrs. Arthur Ryerson, Samuel M. Bouton, and Kirk D. Porter, was ap- pointed to draft resolutions. The Committee re- ported the following, which were adopted:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The bills at the other places of amusement re- main unchanged. "Nellie, as Rosa," at the Globe; the Wallace Sisters at the Michigan Ave- nue, and the Minstrels at the West Side Opera House.

COMING CONCERTS.

Mr. Knopfel's second concert will take place at the Michigan Avenue Baptist Church, April 5. The programme is now fully made up, and is one of the best ever offered in a concert in this city. A very pleasant feature of the concert will be the reappearance of Mrs. Clara Huck, who will sing among other selec- tions, "Casta Diva," and a duet from "Der Freischutz." The many friends and ad- mirers of Mrs. Huck will receive this announce- ment with delight. We shall allude to the pro- gramme more definitely hereafter, and in the meantime advise every lover of music to be in readiness for the Knopfel concert.

An interesting feature of the musical season at the Pacific concert to be given by Mr. S. G. Pratt will be assisted by Mr. Church April 7. Mr. Pratt is a pupil of Mr. Church, resident in the city, and his own composition will be rendered on that occa- sion.

Professor Geary's annual concert takes place at Mc Vicker's Theatre Tuesday evening, April 9.

A grand vocal and orchestral concert, under the auspices of the Ladies' Christian Union, will be given at the First Congregational Church, cor- ner of Ann and West Washington streets, on Tuesday evening, April 9, in which Mrs. L. Vesce- lius, Miss Emma Wann, Mr. Frank Stewart, and Messrs. Bischoff, Fiotz, and Flagler will par- ticipate.

NOT MUCH OF A MURDER.

How the Death of an Old Lady was Distorted Into a Horrid Case of Filicide--A West Washington Street Butcher Sets Matters Aright.

Every reporter whose duty it is to write up criminal matters has been sent on tedious jour- neys after imaginary crimes, and every police- man knows the chagrin and disappointment in the countenance of a reporter who has been sent on a fool's errand. Yesterday the Tribune reporter was sent to Harrison street police station to investi- gate a case of murder, which had been reported by the police. The reporter found the police in possession of the following facts: That a woman named Mrs. Ann Bowen had died at her residence, No. 80 Calumet avenue, last evening. Captain Bigelow was the son of Com- modore Bigelow, of the United States navy, who settled in this city as an early period of the pio- neer history, and accumulated considerable property, which, at his death, descended to his widow and son; the widow Bigelow died recently, and was buried from the residence of her son, the late Post- Office and Custom House, being a portion of his estate. George A. Bigelow graduated at Annapolis, and Naval Academy, and arose from the rank of Midshipman to that of Captain; he served gallantly during the rebel- lion, one of his last exploits being under profes- sor Bonbright to assist at the bombardment at Fort Sumter and capture of Charleston. He resigned soon after the conclusion of hostilities, and has since resided in Chicago. The occasion of his death was consumption. He was 45 years of age. He will be mourned by a large circle of friends.

Board of Trade Ticket.

The members of the Board of Trade who are dissatisfied with the nominations for officers made on Wednesday, put the subjoined opposi- tion ticket in the field yesterday:

President—J. Preston.
Vice Presidents—C. E. Culver and W. H. Rattard.
Boards of Directors—J. Davis, W. L. Sturges, S. W. Rigdon, Charles Bridgeman, and F. A. Stevens.
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Committee on Appeals—D. Krugh, C. J. Gilbert, W. W. Gardner, C. McC. Ramsay, and D. H. Linsley.

The President and Vice Presidents are the same on both tickets. Other gentlemen will probably be nominated for those offices to-day.

Everything.

Daniel H. Hammer will lecture this evening on the life and times of Æsop, at 572 West Madison street.

—Superintendent Felton has begun prepara- tions for the manufacture of brick at the House of Correction. Sheds are being erected, and the boarders will be afforded an opportunity to wrestle with the clay as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

—A boat load of Lemont stone arrived per Illinois and Michigan Canal, yesterday morning, last twelve hours in advance of the "opening of navigation." The freight of the enterprise is due Messrs. Norton & De Cleng, of No. 224 Market street.

—States will connect with the last train for Evanston next Tuesday night at the conclusion of the entertainment given in the Union Park Church. The Evanston people have already spoken for fifty reserved seats, and we predict a crowded house. See advertisement in another column.

—At the public meeting of the Hyde Park Literary Society, this evening, the following order of exercises will be presented: Music, Miss Sophie Siebert, Director; oration, by Joseph C. Young; essay, by Miss Lily Gray; de- clamation, by Miss Lulu Lee; music. Miss Siebert is eligible for a second term.

—Affirmative, E. K. Smith, E. L. Brainard; negatives, W. J. Her- ring, Geo. Willard.

—The annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, of the M. E. Church, occurred this morning, at 10 o'clock, in Trinity M. E. Church, on Indiana avenue, corner Twenty- fourth street. In the afternoon, at 2 o'clock, in the same place, a conventional meeting in in- terest of auxiliary societies. In the evening, the anniversary of the society occurs in the same place. Addresses by Drs. Reed and Fowler, and report of the Secretary, Mrs. J. F. Willard.

—John O'Neil, Oil Inspector, writes as follows concerning a recent "kerosene" explosion: "In your issue of this date, I notice, among other local items, an account of an explosion of a Ker- osene lamp at No. 9 Archer avenue. I have per- sonally examined the oil fluid in that house, and we found it to be an imitation of Kerosene, and called by its agents 'Carbon fluid.' I desire to warn the public against the use of this most dan- gerous article, which is being very extensively sold throughout the city. I shall commence legal proceedings against any person who may deal in the fluid, as it endangers the lives and property of all who use it."

—Inquiry is made by A. F. Lorning, with Messrs. Schmuck, Sontag & Co., Manchester, England, for August Kessels, who came to Chi- cago in August last, with the intention of estab- lishing himself in the business of music. Nothing has been heard of or from him since his de- parture, and fears are entertained that he either did not reach this city, or perished in the fire. If any one remembers him in the city or else- where, previous to or since the fire, it is asked that they communicate with Lorning immediately by the gentleman named above.

CANNIBALISM IN CANADA.

The Obitteebee Indians Eating Their Own Families--A Mother, Pressed by Hunger, Sacrificing Her Children--In Turn, the Mother Eaten by the Husband and Son--The Old Man Making Food for His Boy.

Ottawa (March 21) Correspondence of the New York Times.

The most astonishing stories of cannibal- ism at the head waters of the Ottawa were related to me by Stevenson in a manner whose respectability and veracity are undoubted. For several years past lumbering operations have been conducted in the Ottawa Valley with unlimited enterprise and success, the pine trees becoming more scarce each suc- ceeding season, until at length the lumbers have pushed their way to the head waters of the Ottawa and its tributaries in search of good timber limits. According as they receded from civiliza- tion and carried their operations further north, they came to get a new and strange knowledge of the Indians of the Upper Ot- tawa, and from time to time almost incredi- ble tales of the tribes to the north west of Lake Timiscomaque were related by ad- venturous lumbermen and fur traders. Many of their stories were disbelieved, and were looked upon as shantymen's yarns without a foundation of truth in them. Especially has it been the case when on one or two oc- casions it was asserted that among the Obit- teebee Indians, a portion of the Algonquin tribe, were to be found cannibals who occa- sionally, when pressed by hunger, satisfied their appetites by killing and eating some of the younger members of their families. These horrible stories gained no credence, as it had never been established as a fact that any of the tribes of North American Indians were cannibals.

This winter, however, Mr. Wright, a lum- berman, living near Ottawa, had a lumber shanty on one of the tributaries of the Obitteebee Lake, within a day's travel of Fort Timiscomaque, one of the Hudson Bay trading posts, and while on a visit to his limits, from which he has returned, he ascertained the following facts. A camp of Obitteebee Indians was established about ten miles from Mr. Wright's shanty early in the winter, and the squaw, with her children,—the eldest a boy about 14 years of age,—occasionally came to the shanty to trade off fur with the foreman for grease and flour. Provisions were scarce at the shanty, as supplies had to be brought such a long distance, and it also had to be carried from coming around the place. As the win- ter advanced the snow became deep, and game was so scarce that the Indian camp was apprehensive of starvation for two or three days at a time. Hares, that had been plentiful other years, had been decimated by a dis- ease that had attacked them during the summer, and the Indians were reduced to a state of starvation.

The owner of the wigwam returned one evening in January, after an unsuccessful hunt of two days, and found that one of his children had been killed by the squaw, and the family were then satisfying their hun- ger with part of the flesh, which had been half cooked in a kettle. The old Indian, without asking any questions, joined with the rest in the horrid repast, and satisfied his appetite also. The family lived for three days on the body of the child, and when it was totally consumed, the Indian again started out to hunt, but was unsuccessful. On returning to the camp he drove his tomahawk through the skull of another child himself, and, without ceremony, the squaw proceeded to boil a sufficient quan- tity of the flesh for a meal.

The weather grew colder, with more snow, and it was impossible for the Indian to go on another hunt. He singed the hair off some dry beaver skins, and they managed to keep body and soul together for a few days longer, when savage with hunger, without warning, he tomahawked the squaw, and he and the boy fed off the carcass a few days. In the mean time the weather clearing up, and the Indian started in the direction of a moose park, several miles from the camp, to try and secure some game; but the snow, though deep, was light, and he could not get within rifle-shot of the deer.

After a three days' hunt he returned to the camp and the boy, who saw that his father had determined to kill him, at once made up his mind that he or the old man had to die. Without waiting to discuss the question with his parent he sent a rifle bul- let through the brave, and before the blood had time to cool he was assaying his terrible hunger with pieces of his father's flesh. He remained in the camp as long as the provisions lasted, and then went to the shanty, where he related in a mixture of broken French and Indian the facts which we have given above. The men could not believe the tale at first, but the young Indian had confessed it to the priest, who resided at a station several miles down the river.

He also confessed that on one other occa- sion his sister, a year younger than himself, had been killed and eaten two years pre- vious, when they had not had any game for several days in succession.

A half-breed fur trader, named Simpson, who resides at Fort Timiscomaque, often asserted that on one occasion, while buying fur at an Indian camp, he asked for some- thing to eat, and was told to help himself from an iron pot that stood on the fire. He stirred up the mess which it contained, and nearly fainted with horror when he fished up a human hand from the bottom.

An Indian, with an unpronounceable name, who camps by himself near the head of the Obitteebee Lake, is known and spoken of as the only surviving member of a family of cannibals, and he is shunned and feared by other members of the tribe.

The Obitteebee Indians are described as being tall and stoutly built, with a very for- bidding cast of countenance, the whites being positively repul

FOREIGN.

Fearful Loss of Life by an Earthquake in Central Asia.

Twenty-Eight Persons Killed by an English Mine Explosion.

List of American Bishops Appointed at the Recent Consistory in Rome.

GREAT BRITAIN.

NEW YORK, March 22.—London papers are mystified by the sudden and unexpected termination of the trial of Chalmers for the alleged libelling of Lady Twiss. After running the man at searching cross-examination from the defendant for four days, with credit to herself, and apparently with complete vindication at hand, Lady Twiss refused to appear again in court, and, on March 14, her counsel announced that he was compelled to withdraw in connection, owing to the resolution of Lady Twiss. Her motives in thus withdrawing after a brave contest of a week is not explained, though the general impression of her husband as Queen's Advocate puts her case in an unfavorable light. In dismissing Chalmers, the magistrate hurled at him a terrific denunciation, telling him he must henceforth be an object of contempt to all men, and warning him that he must not think he could libel other unfortunate families even with truthful scandal.

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CAMARGO, March 26—General Quiroga officially announces to the army the receipt of a telegram from General Garcia de la Cadena, at Saltillo, informing him of the complete rout of General Rocha's troops, by General Trevino. General Escobedo is in pursuit of the fugitives, and their pursuit beyond Zacatecas, and the occupation of that city by Rocha's forces. The victory is being celebrated at Monterey and this city by salvos of artillery, ringing of bells, and other great rejoicings. Forced loans are being ruthlessly exacted in this city and Monterey, under the threat that if foreign merchants refuse to comply, their possessions or those of her husband as Queen's Advocate puts her case in an unfavorable light. In dismissing Chalmers, the magistrate hurled at him a terrific denunciation, telling him he must henceforth be an object of contempt to all men, and warning him that he must not think he could libel other unfortunate families even with truthful scandal.

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Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

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PACIFIC COAST.

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Good, Lindsey house, and 25 feet lot, on Leavitt-st., near Jackson; $6,250.

Good brick house and 24 feet lot, on Madison-st., near Ashland-av.; $10,000.

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Boren st.; a bargain. Two lots on Harlem-st. Several lots on south western. Plank road, Robey st., and vicinity. DAY & SANBORN, 4 West Madison st.

FOR SALE—HOUSE AND LOT, NO. 343 WABASH-av. This house is now being painted, whitewashed and papered throughout, and put in complete order for a first-class dwelling house, and will be rea by for occupancy on the 1st of April next. The lot is very little over the value of the improvements. It is a good chance for a home. Terms easy. A good tenant. C. T. WHEELER, Union National Bank.

FOR SALE—OR TO RENT—LUMBER DOCK, 22 Lumber-st., on the south branch. Inquire of W. H. JENKINS, corner of Lumber and Canal-sts.; or, A. J. WRIGHT, 159 West Monroe-st.

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Fourth-st., near Tyler 2 cottages, 7 rooms each, and lots 23x125; $5,500 each.

Jefferson-st., between Adams, new cottage, 8 rooms, and lot 20x125; $4,000.

Monroe-st., near Wood-st., two-story and basement brick house, 9 rooms, and lot 25x125; $7,000.

Immediate possession.

Harrison-st., near Wood, cottage, 5 rooms, and lot 25x132; $2,000.

Harrison-st., near Wood-st., two-story house, with 12 rooms, with 12 years lease of lot, $61,125; cheap.

FOR SALE—SOME FINE LOTS ON NORTH-av., East of Sedgewick; also, adjoining Wicker Park, also, near the corner of Milwaukee-av. and Ashland-av., and $250 per lot for those on Fontaine, Bissell, Hoyne, etc. WARREN, KEENEY & CO., 251 Wabash-av.

FOR SALE—CHEAP—A BUSINESS LOT 25x132, on Halsted, corner Cottage Grove; also, a double-st. SPROULE & ROUNDS, 165 West Madison-st.

FOR SALE—$600 WILL BUY COTTAGE HOUSE and lot on Fulton-st., near Lincoln; $1,000 will buy the best $50,000 to $55,000. Apply to G. S. FIELD & CO., 418 Wabash-av.

FOR SALE—3 LOTS ON HALSTED-ST., SOUTH of Englewood, 3 miles from the city hall; will sell two for the price of one. THOS. B. BRYAN, 167 West Lake-st.

FOR SALE—WABASH-AV. LOT—WE HAVE AN 8-foot front lot for sale on this street, 40x165 or 242 feet to an 18-foot alley, adjoining the improvements and choice of corner-st. or will build to suit. Terms, one-fifth cash payment & good residence lot on South Side worth $60,000 to $25,000. Apply to G. S. FIELD & CO., 418 Wabash-av.

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FOR SALE — INDIANA-AV. — TWO-STORY frame house, brick basement, 9 rooms, and modern improvements, $7,500; $2,000 cash, balance 1 and 2 years.

Two-story frame house, brick basement, 10 rooms, very handsomely finished; all modern improvements, $7,500; $3,000 cash, balance 1 and 2 years, 8 per cent. FAKE & CLARK, 220 Wabash-av.

TO RENT—CHEAPEST RENT IN CHICAGO. House of 10 rooms, on Walnut-st., $16 per month; for 3 years, $360 cash bonus for the lease. H. G. GOODWILLIE, 153 West Madison-st.

FOR SALE—$500 DOWN, CHOICE RESIDENCE in Englewood, 12 rooms, 50 ft. lot, $3 500; easy terms. Also, 2 lots on Wood-st., $1,500 each. H. G. GOODWILLIE, 153 West Madison-st.

FOR SALE—$200 DOWN, POSSESSION IMMEDIATELY, elegant cottage, brick basement, 50 foot lot, 30 blocks south of Union Park; will sell for $2,600. Call and quickly decide at once. E. G. GOODWILLIE, 153 West Madison-st.

FOR SALE—ONLY $150 DOWN, CHOICE LOT, outside fire limits, Walnut-st., near Lincoln, $90 per foot. E. G. GOODWILLIE, 153 West Madison-st.

FOR SALE—BRICK HOUSE, AND LOT 24x170; modern improvements; location first-class, 470 West Washington-st. Inquire on premises.

FOR SALE—CHEAP—HOUSE